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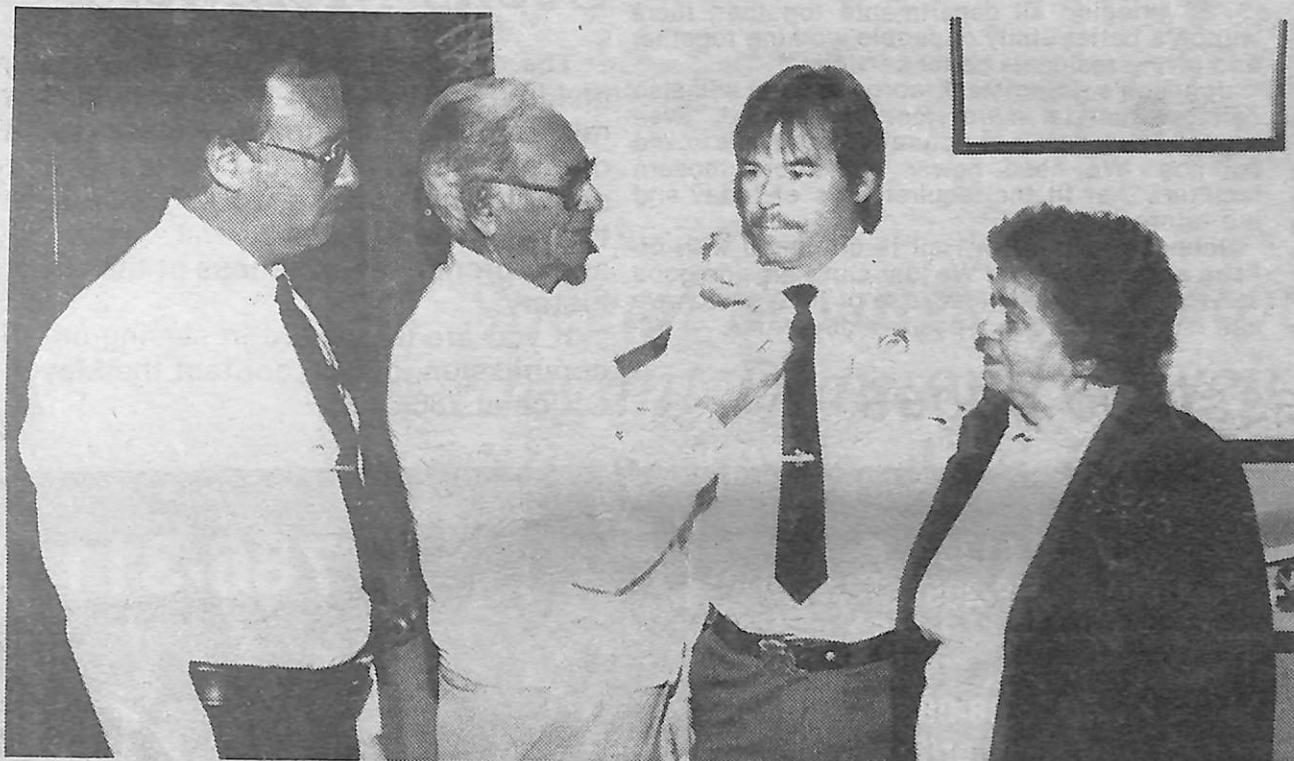


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### Grady Promoted By Fire Dept. To Lt.



THE AGAWAM FIRE DEPT. has promoted Lawrence Grady to fire lieutenant. SECOND PHOTO ON PAGE 6. Taking part in the ceremony are, from left Deputy Fire Chief David Pisano, Retired Police Chief Ken Grady (Lawrence's father), Lt. Grady, and Betty Grady (Lawrence's mother). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM GOLDEN AGE CLUB II OFFICERS, from left - Clara McLean, corresponding secretary; Lee Dion, chaplain; Bernice Burton, recording secretary; Edward Grimes, vice-president; Ernest Swanson, treasurer; and Lou Scherpa, president, are pictured at the club's 10th Anniversary Banquet on October 1st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Agawam Golden Agers Revel At Annual Fall Anniversary Banquet

Agawam Golden Age Club Chapter II held its 10th Anniversary Banquet at the Carriage House in Storroron Village, West Springfield, on Thursday, October 1st.

Festivities began with a Social Hour at 11:00 a.m., followed by a delicious dinner served at

12:00 noon. Club President Louis Scherpa led the Golden Agers in the Pledge of Allegiance and called upon Chaplain Lee Dion to deliver a prayer prior to the meal.

SEE GOLDEN AGERS - Families Section...

### Council Refuses Call For More Legal Advice On Town Hall Reorg.

by Dale Fiske  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Firing lines have been drawn between Agawam Town Councilors and definitive boundaries that divide the council seem to beset every issue that has come before it since July.

Key votes have been tallied at an almost constant 6-5 vote since tempers erupted over a budget cut that stripped sanitarian Casimir Tryba from his 12-year position in the Health Department. Even at this past Monday night's meeting councilors again were debating the controversial Health Department issue, this time behind closed doors in executive session.

Another important issue at Monday's meeting concerned the planned reorganization of Town Hall departments and personnel by Mayor Christopher C. Johnson. The reorganization debate on the council floor, tabled since the September 8th meeting, took center stage again with councilors arguing over who has the authority to direct the reorganization - the council or the mayor.

The Town Charter, Article 6, Section 1 is the crux of the problem. This section implies that both the council and the Mayor may initiate a reorganization plan.

Interpretation of the intent of the authors of the charter persists in being a source of debate.

Last week Town Solicitor Thomas S. Locke issued a legal opinion that told councilors the mayor has sole authority to draft a reorganization plan. Councilors who take exception to this decision argue that the charter is ambiguous on this point.

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### Delayed Tuition Fees Draw Much Ire From School Parents

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

During the School Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 29th, some Agawam residents raised many issues over the board's July 14th vote to charge a fee for the Early Childhood Program's role model students at Clark School. The fee's institution has since been postponed until January 1st by a 6-1 amended vote.

The first resident to speak during Citizen's Speak Time was Mary Barry. She said, "I speak to you tonight about the growing undercurrent that I have felt in our town regarding Special Education versus regular education. This concerns me greatly, as it should all of us."

She asked that "people see the human side" rather than the "dollars and cents" when discussing Special Ed. because it is really about children. "Please do not think that just because your child passes the kindergarten screening, you will never have the need of special services."

SEE TUITION - Education Section...

**REORGANIZATION - from Page 1...****Willis Led Debate For Second Opinion**

Council President Joanne Willis stepped down from the podium to present a resolution to the council that would seek a second legal opinion on this question. The motion was defeated in a 5-5 vote. Councilor Edward A. Caba, still recovering at home from a heart attack, was absent from the meeting.

Councilors voting in favor of Mrs. Willis' motion included Walter A. Balboni, Louis Russo, Gary Suffriti, Nancy Gravel, and Mrs. Willis.

Councilors dissenting included James Taylor, Thomas Ennis, Jessie D. Fuller, Richard Brindle, and George Bitzas.

During debate Monday night, Councilor Louis Russo stated, "Locke assumes what the original authors of the charter intended. Did he talk with the remaining authors? It seems the town attorney is trying to rewrite the law. The charter is the law. I find it difficult to rely on one man. He is trying to usurp the Attorney General and the people of Agawam."

Russo added, "I don't like not having a right to a second opinion. The Mayor should have at least involved us in it. We don't even get an opinion. It (the reorganization) will come here and it will fly through with six votes."

After continued debate, a second motion was made by Mrs. Willis to table the resolution until the council could obtain a legal opinion from Attorney General Scott Harshbarger's office on the interpretation of the Town Charter. This motion was also defeated in a 5-5 vote.

Councilor Thomas Ennis said of the debate, "The last 45 minutes have been a waste of time. The administration is moving forward with reorganization. Certain councilors are disturbed about services, but don't mind spending money on a second opinion for baloney. If councilors can't take the heat then get out of the kitchen."

Councilor James Taylor added, "I wonder if this will go the same way as the budget. What we're looking at here is charter evolution. The council's responsibility has never been updated from the town manager to the mayor."

**Charter Needs Revising**

Councilor Nancy Gravel maintained that the

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charter needs updating and revising to avoid more controversy in the future. "I hope we would collaborate to form a Charter Revision Committee to reflect our new changes (from a town manager to elected mayor)."

"We need to clear this up, regardless of what the town fathers wrote down in 1971," is how Councilor Walter Balboni viewed the situation. "We have two different groups that have two separate opinions. My conflict is with councilors who just want to acquiesce to the Mayor."

Councilor Gary Suffriti told his colleagues, "There are serious questions as to who should be doing reorganization. If the council wants to give up our right to reorganization, I wonder whether our only purpose here is to put a show on for Channel 33."

"If we don't have any more input into this town than that, we are all null and void," said Suffriti.

To this, Ennis replied, "If we all want to get involved and can't do it here, let councilors and residents contact the administration."

**Plan Coming In November**

Mayor Johnson told us Tuesday night he would probably submit the first area of his reorganization plan to the council at its first meeting in November. "This is a limited reorganization that deals with finance and administration," he said.

According to Johnson, his plan will "cut down the Mayor's span of control and make the operation (of government) more efficient."

Presently, 20 department heads report directly to the Mayor. Johnson plans to consolidate many departments under a common boss, who will then in turn report directly to the Mayor's Office.

"By bringing all departments together, there will be a better utility of people working together and giving residents better services."

Johnson's government reorganization will also call for structural improvements. He noted, "Even though Town Hall is structurally sound, it is an old building. We need newer and more modern facilities that fit the requirements of today and the future."

Johnson said Town Hall is crammed with offices and personnel. "We just can't provide good service to the public (because of this). I hope we can move forward in a positive direction."

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**Fire-Wise**

by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

**The Handicapped**

Handicapped persons require separate fire safety precautions and plans tailored to their special needs. Whether at home or at work, the handicapped person creates unique demands and knowledge. The handicapped person, in many cases, presents the same educational and safety demands as children or the elderly.

The Agawam Fire Department suggests that all handicapped persons be registered with the fire department to facilitate the necessary actions or precautions in the event of a fire. The handicapped person may require extra time to escape, call for help, or even be alerted to a fire or other emergency.

Handicapped persons should contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662 to request a representative to help identify their special fire safety needs and to assist them. A specially tailored plan must be developed.

**Historical Comm. Seeks Members**

The Town of Agawam is seeking individuals to serve on its Historical Commission. The Historical Commission conducts research for places of historic or archaeological value; it works for preservation of historic sites in the community, and it promotes awareness of the Town's history.

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# Editorial

## Jim Bruno's Legacy Will Continue To Impact Children Of Agawam

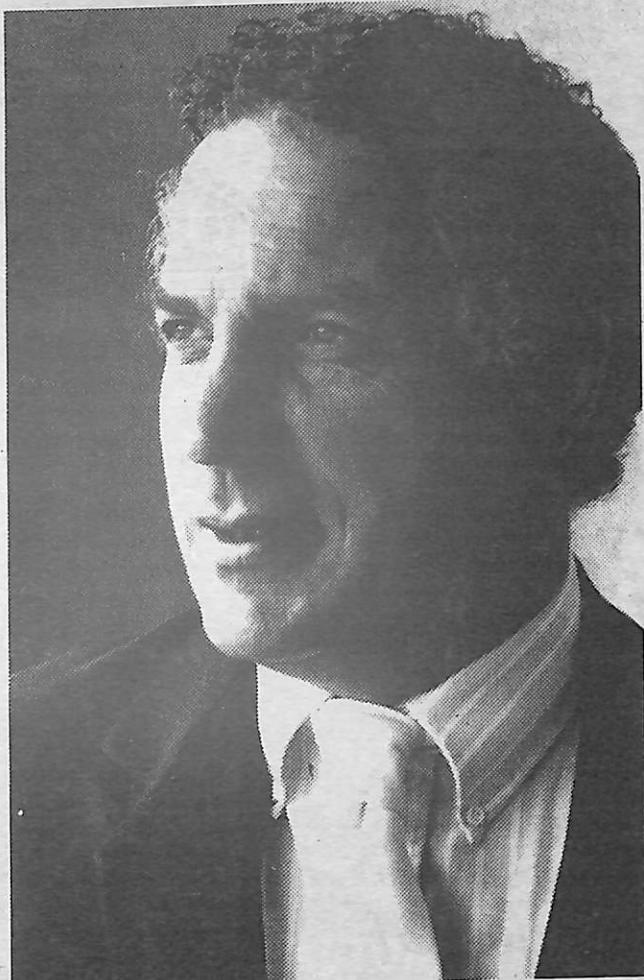
by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

For the past five years, Superintendent of Schools James Bruno has endured seeing his administrative dealings recapped in our paper, mainly through the eyes of the School Department Editor.

During a Retirement Banquet given in his honor on Thursday, October 1st, at Chez Josef, a long list of speakers paid tribute to and presented gifts for his 30-year career in the Agawam School System.

Bruno offered everyone present his blessings and gratitude for their generosity over the years in return.

An inscribed guest book will forever etch the names of the nearly 450 family members, school personnel (past and present), state legislators, town officials, and friends in attendance.



JAMES V. BRUNO, JR.

And, as Bruno himself said, "I will always have my memories."

Relating an 11-year administrative tenure to those who did not have the privilege to work

directly or indirectly with Mr. Bruno seems redundant. The seeds of his love and labors will continue to blossom around us in the accomplished Agawam school alumni graduates of 1981 to 1992.

Bruno can take pride in knowing it was his leadership that reaped such an abundant harvest that decade.

Many of the speakers at Chez Josef highlighted certain key phrases that portrayed a crystal clear vision of this man. Once again, he must bear my interpretation in print:

*"He is a kind and compassionate educator and outstanding athlete who was always willing to listen and who found solutions in his quiet and gentle ways. He is a graduate of the Agawam schools and attained his sixth-year level above a master's in administration.*

*"He is a loving son, husband, and father. Most importantly, it is insightful to realize that Jim Bruno is a devout Catholic who draws strength from the 'trust his beliefs' have instilled in him to seek the goodness in each person and concentrate on the positive aspects of each."*

### Bruno's Legacy In Agawam's School System

Bruno leaves the Agawam schools "a good, solid program," to quote incoming Superintendent Bernard Ryder. Throughout the troubled economic difficulties, Bruno maintained curriculum for the arts, expanded an equitable athletic program, and increased graduation requirements to enhance academic excellence.

He instituted an S.A.T. preparatory course this year at AHS, and has conducted a superintendent's academic symposium for the past few years. The symposium enabled students, parents, school personnel, and community leaders an opportunity to discuss issues facing our community's comprehensive (and only) high school, and to communicate on the needs of education.

Presently, society seems to have lost track of the moral and ethical boundaries of the past. There is an undercurrent crying out in a plea for guidance to the return of decency and non-violence.

It is unfortunate that more individuals do not find comfort in living by the Golden Rule: *"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."*

Perhaps if that one rule were foremost in every person's mind as I've come to realize it is with Jim Bruno, an inner light would shine bright enough to dim all adversaries.

Bruno is a well-loved and compassionate humanitarian whose special ways are humbling to those of us who have had the honor to work with him. He is a true gentleman and has given each of us a sense of importance by respecting every person's individual rights.

Jim Bruno, enjoy your new life and remember fondly your Agawam friends, co-workers, and staff. God has blessed you with the ability to continually seek out goodness; may you always find comfort and peace from it.

## A PICTORIAL on Jim Bruno's retirement party will be published next week.



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## Letters To The Editor

### Old-Time Agawam Politics At School Committee Meeting

#### To The Editor:

A gifted author could probably write a book about last Tuesday's (September 29th) meeting of the Agawam School Committee. It was a meeting marked by heated discussions, political intrigue, a few courageous committee members, genuine emotion, and unfortunately, old-time Agawam politics.

One of the really unique things to emerge from this meeting was an honest, intelligent discussion by both sides about a very important topic. It is too bad that the special education administration couldn't exhibit that same honesty, organization, and intelligence in dealing with the tuition matter. The ineptitude of the school administration could end up costing this town about \$10,000. You can buy a lot of books for that amount of money.

I hope that the citizens of Agawam, especially those who have children in the school system, will take careful note of this meeting. I predict that it will be the first of many governmental meetings that will deal with the broad topic of how to properly allocate the limited financial resources that all towns are dealing with in a manner that will assure a quality education to ALL of our students.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Tuesday, October 13th  
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Captain Leonard House  
7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 16th  
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**LETTER - from Page 4...**

In an ideal world we would have plenty of money for all of our students and all of their needs would be met, but we all know that there is no such place. The federal and state governments have developed certain programs designed to meet the needs of our specially challenged students. These programs are wonderful and provide these students with much needed help.

It would be difficult for anyone to find legitimate fault with any of them. BUT there must be an open and honest exchange of ideas about the proper way to fund these programs. State and federal bureaucrats are great at developing programs and then mandating that local communities find the ways to fund them.

In a community like Agawam, this is becoming an increasingly difficult problem. Our overall school budget has been growing at a very small rate each year, but the Special-Ed portion of that budget has been growing at a geometric rate. Special-Ed has been taking an ever-growing chunk out of the overall budget and thus leaving a smaller and smaller piece for the Regular-Ed students.

Many Special-Ed parents feel that these programs are totally funded by the state, but that is simply not true. Our community leaders are forced to make some unpleasant choices, and our

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children at all levels are forced to deal with educational materials and supplies which are outdated and/or less than adequate.

To properly address this problem, we (Special-Ed and Regular-Ed, parents, teachers, and administrators) must get together. We must join forces to collectively address our concerns about these issues to our state officials. We must demand that if these wonderful programs are going to be mandated by the state, then they must also be completely funded by the state.

No student in Agawam should be asked to settle for less than the best. If we can cooperate, we might be able to benefit everyone; if we can't, we'll end up competing for precious resources and our kids will end up suffering.

In the relatively near future, I feel that we will all be directly impacted by the numerous interests which are competing for our community's limited resources. Each of these interests will represent a "good," so in essence what we will have are competing goods.

It is going to be up to each one of us to identify our own priorities and be willing to openly discuss and, if necessary, fight for them.

Last Tuesday's meeting dealt only with the tip of the iceberg.

Sincerely,  
Frank Lawlor  
Agawam

**Council Seeking Volunteer Resident For Service As Whiting Street Trustee**

Town Council President Joanne H. Willis issued the following statement this week:

"The Agawam Town Council is seeking an interested volunteer to serve as a trustee for the Whiting Street Fund. The Whiting Street Fund was established by the will of Whiting Street for the benefit of the worthy poor of the town. Whoever is elected by the Council to fill the unexpired term will serve until January 1993.

"Applicants are to be legal voters of the Town

of Agawam. Interested citizens may submit to the Council Clerk letters of interest which should contain a summary of any qualifications for the position. Letters should be received by October 28th, 1992.

"Interviews will be conducted at the November 4th, 1992 regular meeting of the Agawam Town Council. Those citizens interested in volunteering their time on behalf of those less fortunate are urged to come forward to help in this worthwhile endeavor."

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**Agawam Police Arrest Blotter**

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On September 28th, Jeffrey Coburn, 51 Vaudnais Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with assault and battery. Arresting officers were Richard Conlon Jr. and Edward Connor.

On September 28th, Albert Liquori, 185 Mill Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding West Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Richard Conlon Jr. and Edward Connor.

On September 29th, Edward Kisielewski, 28 Sylvan Lane, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Gerald O'Keefe and Joe Dymon.

On September 29th, Daisy Burgess, 74 Springfield Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with outstanding Hadley and Granby Police Department warrants. Arresting officers were Eric Camerlin and Steve Grasso.

On September 29th, John C. Rossi, 22 Southview Road, Southwick, was arrested and charged with operating after suspension. Arresting officers were Edward Connor and Joe Edwards.

On September 30th, John E. Brown, 69 Regency Park Drive, Agawam, was arrested and charged with violation of a restraining order. Arresting officers were Joe Dymon and Steve Grasso.

On September 30th, Lorretha Marci, 256 School Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with assault by means of a dangerous weapon. Arresting officers were Kevin Langevin, Steve Grasso and Mark Ceccarnini.

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# Proclamation Flap Erupts At Council

by Dale Fiske  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Another snafu between warring factions on the Agawam Town Council disrupted Monday night's meeting over a proposed proclamation to make Thursday, October 8th, "Jessie D. Fuller Day" in Agawam.

Mrs. Fuller, a current Town Council member, was named "Republican Woman of the Year" by the Agawam Republican Town Committee. She received a testimonial dinner at Chez Josef Thursday evening (October 8th).

Mrs. Fuller is a former School Committee member who has been active in local politics and civic organizations for many years in Agawam.

#### Cannot Issue Proclamation

Councilor Thomas Ennis sponsored the proclamation but was told by Council President Joanne H. Willis that the council cannot issue a proclamation without correspondence from the Mayor's Office. She added, "The council hasn't received anything from the Mayor."

Ennis responded that the correspondence (from the Mayor's Office) was forthcoming the next day (Tuesday, October 6th).

Mrs. Willis countered, "At this point in time, the council doesn't have the authority to act on this. This is out of order."

An angry Ennis then called Mrs. Willis out of order. "This is the lowest, lowest thing you have done in three years on the council," he said to Mrs. Willis.

Three times Mrs. Willis told Ennis he was out of order and said, "You owe an apology to the chair." Ennis refused to give one.

Councilor Walter Balboni, also caught in the heat of the moment, said to Ennis, "If I were you, I would leave these chambers." Balboni then repeated this to Ennis, who in turn asked Mrs. Willis to call Balboni out of order.

Mrs. Fuller, visibly upset about the commotion, asked that the resolution be withdrawn. But a vote of 4-3-3 (three abstentions) kept the issue alive until it was tabled until the council's next meeting on Monday, October 19th.

#### Continues The Pattern

While to most observers this debacle seemed another incident of the council's discord, it continued this pattern and probably widens the rift between the 11 member board.

It also serves notice that more of the same probably is in store for the future. And all agree, regardless of partisan affiliation, that the town is suffering from the gridlock and discord.

The flap over Mrs. Fuller's proclamation follows on the heels of last month's proclamation to Feeding Hills resident Jane Dennis, who was thanked for her many services to Agawam.

At that time, Mrs. Fuller protested the proclamation, saying that other people besides Mrs. Dennis were involved in organizing the town's July 4th celebration last summer. Mrs. Fuller noted that Mrs. Dennis has been previously honored by the council and that others who worked on the July 4th celebration also deserved the honor.

Mrs. Dennis has been an outspoken critic of councilors who supported a budget cut that ousted sanitarian Casimir Tryba from his job on July 31st. She has led a petition drive to force the issue to a ballot question, and also helped to organize a citizen's public hearing on the divisive issue on August 31st.

The cut of Tryba's job, as has been heavily publicized, began the council war in mid-July. The chaos over the cut has weaved its way into the very fabric of the council's ability to function as a unit.

Following Monday's eruption over Mrs. Fuller's proclamation, no one wished to discuss the matter any further or to offer any clarification over what happened.

# Grady Named New Lt. At Fire Dept.



LAWRENCE GRADY, who joined the Agawam Fire Dept. in 1974, has been named a lieutenant in the Agawam Fire. Dept. Participating in the swearing-in ceremony are, from left -Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, Lt. Grady, and Town Clerk Richard Theroux. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam Crime Prevention...

### Violence Becoming American Pastime

by Detective Wayne Macey  
Agawam Police Department

It would appear, at least to this cop, that violence and violent crime are fast becoming America's pastime.

Locally, we are experiencing a dramatic increase in violence related crime. Assaults and assaults with dangerous weapons are an everyday occurrence and restraining orders are being handed out at an all time record pace.

People are frustrated for any one of many reasons and they are turning to violence as a way to demonstrate this frustration. Society in general will have to accept at least partial responsibility for this behavior because it is we, the people, who not only condone violence, we promote it.

The truth in those words can be witnessed in the long lines at movie houses across the country waiting to see such films as *Death Wish One, Two, Three and Four; Diehard One and Two; and Silence of the Lambs*. It can also be seen in the skyrocketing profits being realized by the World Wide Wrestling Federation.

Certainly you remember them? They are the well conditioned athletes and out-of-shape fat men that try to convince young and old alike that a 300-pounder can fly off the top rope and land on the head of a much smaller man and do little more damage than make him mad. The scary part of that scenario is that young and old alike believe it.

It has become much more than entertainment, it has become an obsession, and audiences all over the world take solace in the mistaken belief that it is 100% as advertised.

This love of violence is not limited to the movie houses and the W.W.F. It can also be seen at any given sporting event. People are being whipped into a frenzy as they watch the violence of hockey, football and every other sport, erupt in front of

them. The truth is that we surround ourselves with every imaginable form of violence and we love it.

Manufactured violence, regardless of its origin, creates confusion and sends mixed messages to those who view it on a regular basis.

As reality fades and the crowd mentality slowly takes over, we become witness to tragic results: the gang beating of a boy in Springfield to within an inch of his life; the shooting of a wife and mother in Suffield, CT by a husband and father who subsequently took his own life; attacks of every possible kind with weapons such as telephone cords, axes, baseball bats and cars.

There is no one answer to the problem. Violence is a sad fact of life, and perhaps a trip back to "Walton's Mountain" would be a start. More next week.

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# Campaign '92

## Johnson & Bonavita Co-Chairing Caplin's Agawam Campaign

William Caplin, candidate for the State Senate in the First Hampden District, proudly announces that Mayor Christopher Johnson and local attorney Anthony C. Bonavita will co-chair Caplin's campaign in Agawam.

"Mayor Christopher Johnson brings to the campaign a knowledge of the problems and the complications of municipal government which must be addressed by the State Senate. Decisions made in the State Senate have an enormous impact on our local government and citizens," Caplin stated.

He also noted, "Anthony C. Bonavita, former Town Attorney and present Chairman of the Agawam Republican Committee, has a direct line on the needs of the community and individual concerns, which the legislature must address."

The combination of Johnson and Bonavita's experience and community respect will be a great asset. Caplin said, "We have a great deal of work to do between now and election day on November 3rd. Chris and Anthony's support is vital to our success in Agawam."

Anyone willing to work on the Caplin campaign or anyone wanting a lawn sign can contact: Caplin Campaign Headquarters, 731-9211; Christopher Johnson, 786-6297; or Anthony Bonavita, 786-2079.



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**Campaign '92 - continued...**

## Neal Hails Override Of Bush Veto On Cable TV Bill

U.S. Representative Richard E. Neal (D-Massachusetts) had predicted that Congress would override President Bush's veto of the Cable TV Consumer Protection and Competition Act (S. 12 and HR 4850) when the final vote on the bill is taken.

President Bush had until midnight Saturday (October 3rd) to make a final decision on the cable bill, or the legislation would have automatically become law on Sunday.

"I am very disappointed in President Bush's decision to veto the Cable TV bill. Quite simply, this is the most important piece of consumer legislation to be passed by Congress in the last half decade. By vetoing the Cable TV bill, President Bush has made it clear that he has forgotten this nation's consumers."

"There is no question that cable television regulation is the number one consumer issue in this country today. The majority of American cable subscribers feel that rates for basic services are too high, and that the cable industry should be subject to more competition."

"This bill would have provided some well-needed relief for the average consumer who has seen their rates rise by 60% since deregulation. It is unfortunate that President Bush has chosen to abandon the American consumer in favor of the special interests of the cable television industry."

"I am confident that when the vote to override the President's veto comes before Congress that both the House and Senate will achieve the necessary two-thirds majorities. Not only will this be the first time in 34 attempts that Congress has overridden a veto by President Bush, the passage of the Cable TV bill will represent a significant victory for the American consumer," Neal said.

Since his election to Congress in 1988, Congressman Neal has been a leader in the House for cable television reform. His first speech as a Member of Congress and the first bill he introduced focused on cable re-regulation. Congressman Neal was a co-sponsor of the bill that President Bush vetoed today.

## Economic Policies Need Great Overhaul Says Rep. Neal

Following a Department of Labor announcement that showed the nation's unemployment rate standing at 7.5%, up 44% from 1989, Second District Congressman Richard E. Neal sharply criticized President Bush by saying his "economic policies have failed America."

A recent report by the Labor Department indicated that the nation's unemployment rate stood at 7.5% for the month of September. The report also disclosed the fact that the number of Americans holding jobs shrunk by 57,000, while the number of manufacturing jobs dropped by 26,000.

"When George Bush ran for President in 1988 he promised the American people that his administration would create 30 million new jobs. At the time, the unemployment rate stood at only 5.4%. Four years later, 9.6 million Americans are unemployed, 3 million more than when he took office."

"During his administration, 1.3 million manufacturing jobs have been lost. George Bush has forgotten the working men and women in this country. And, this announcement makes it abundantly clear that his economic policies have failed America."

"For months, George Bush has been trying to convince the American people that the economy is improving. For months, he has told us that the economy is better than most people think, and that recovery is on the way."

"The recent report from the Labor Department offers stark contrast to George Bush's rosy campaign rhetoric. It is time for George Bush and the Republican party to admit that they have no credible plan to create real jobs here in America," said Congressman Neal.

## Ravosa Calls Gag Rule At Family Clinics Toying With Women

Calling the Gag Rule "a dangerous form of censorship that toys with the lives of women," Second District Congressional candidate Anthony W. Ravosa, Jr. has announced his opposition to the measure and said, "As a member of Congress, I will be a leader in the fight against such regulations." Ravosa made his statement on the very day that the rule was to take effect throughout the country.

The controversial Gag Rule imposed by the Bush Administration would prevent federally-funded Title X family planning clinics from providing full information to pregnant clients about their options.

Congress recently passed a bill to lift the Gag Rule, which has been vetoed by President Bush. Ravosa supports an override of the President's veto, saying, "All women should have the right to make sound decisions about their own health care after receiving the proper information about every legal option available to them."

Ravosa also took issue with some of the President's recent comments, saying "to suggest that, by lifting the Gag Rule, family planning programs would be transformed into vehicles for the promotion of abortion is absolutely ridiculous."

He added that "Roe vs. Wade is still the law of the land, and as long as it is, a safe and legal abortion remains a viable option for women that should remain clear of censorship."

Ravosa also echoed the sentiments of Massachusetts Governor William Weld, who, at the Republican National Convention in Houston, took on the Party's traditional position by stating to women across America that "government has no place in your pocketbook, and it shouldn't have any place in your bedroom either."

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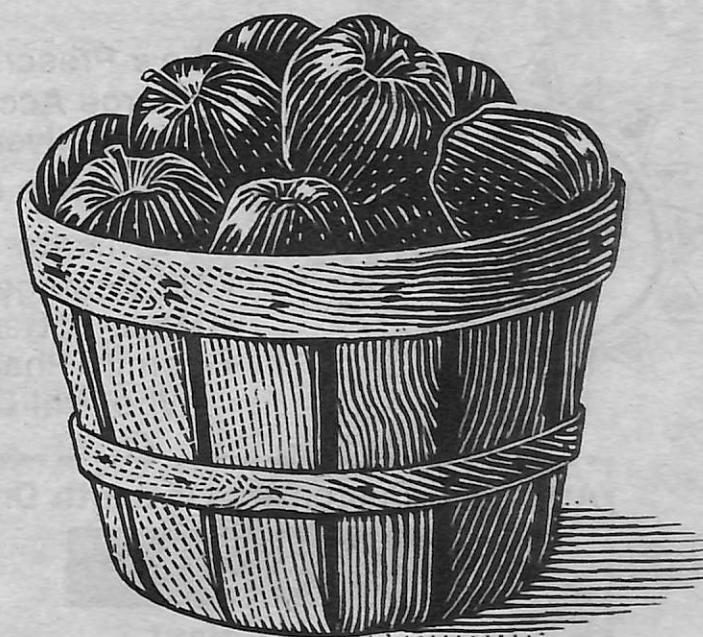
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## Melconian Outlines Crime Proposals

In a press release issued this week, Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) outlined her recent efforts to fight the rising tide of crime in her district.

"I am proud to announce that the Senate approved my bill to create a Western Massachusetts satellite crime lab at the Western Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council in Agawam," said Melconian, adding, "My bill would staff and equip a Western Massachusetts crime lab to facilitate quicker results of evidence testing and drug analysis so that criminals could be brought to justice in a more timely manner."

"With this new local crime lab, essential police travel funds used to deliver evidence to the Boston area could be redirected to pay for additional patrolmen in our neighborhoods."

Another incentive by Senator Melconian is the \$5 million grant for the demolition of abandoned buildings. Originally pushed after the unforgettable crime that was perpetrated on two inner-city children in an abandoned building on Central street, this grant will assist the city of Springfield in the demolition of abandoned buildings in

residential neighborhoods, including the one on Central Street which was where the children were brutally harmed.

Senator Melconian stated, "I feel that these unsafe buildings which cannot be rehabilitated are eyesores to residents, havens for drug dealers, users, and other criminal activities, as well as kindling for arsonists."

"The criminal activities perpetrated in these structures spill over to the neighborhoods in the cities and to suburban communities."

Melconian is also currently working with the Executive Office of Community Development (which oversees the state's elderly housing projects) to investigate the Commonwealth's responsibility to enforce safety in these elder housing developments.

"I want to work to obtain the necessary resources to have police foot patrols in and around every one of those high-risk elderly housing developments so that our elderly will feel safe and secure in their homes."

"They deserve nothing less from their elected officials," emphasized Melconian.

## Ravosa Supports Family Leave Bill

Second District Congressional candidate Anthony W. Ravosa, Jr. has announced that he strongly supports the family leave bill recently passed by Congress. He added that "as a member of Congress, I would vote to override the President's veto."

In addition, Ravosa said that this position, "while not popular with the White House and the Republican leadership in Congress," demonstrates his independence and resolve to stand up and effectively represent the Second District.

"Unlike the incumbent, Mr. Neal, I have the backbone to put the interests of the residents ahead of my own political career," he stated.

Ravosa described the Family and Medical Leave Act as "providing a modest 12-week period of unpaid, job-protected leave for working families following medical emergencies such as

the birth of a child, adoption or a sickness in the family."

He contended that the impact of the leave bill on small business would be "minimal," noting that the legislation exempts companies with less than 50 employees.

Ravosa emphasized, "In a year when much of the political debate has centered around 'family values,' what is more pro-family than providing a standard of decency and protecting those who are struggling to hold on to their piece of the American dream, especially during a time of crisis."

*For copies of photos in this edition, contact Jack Devine at 789-0053. He has the negatives for all of his photographs, and he'll be glad to help you.*

## Melconian Monitoring Progress Of Bridge

Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has been monitoring the progress of the Memorial Bridge reconstructions since the 1988 bond issue. This project is a federal/state high priority project in which 80 percent of the monies are provided for by the federal government.

Melconian stated, "I brought the money for this project to greater Springfield in the '88 and '91 bond issues. Money is not the problem; funds have been set aside within the federal and state bridge rehabilitation problem."

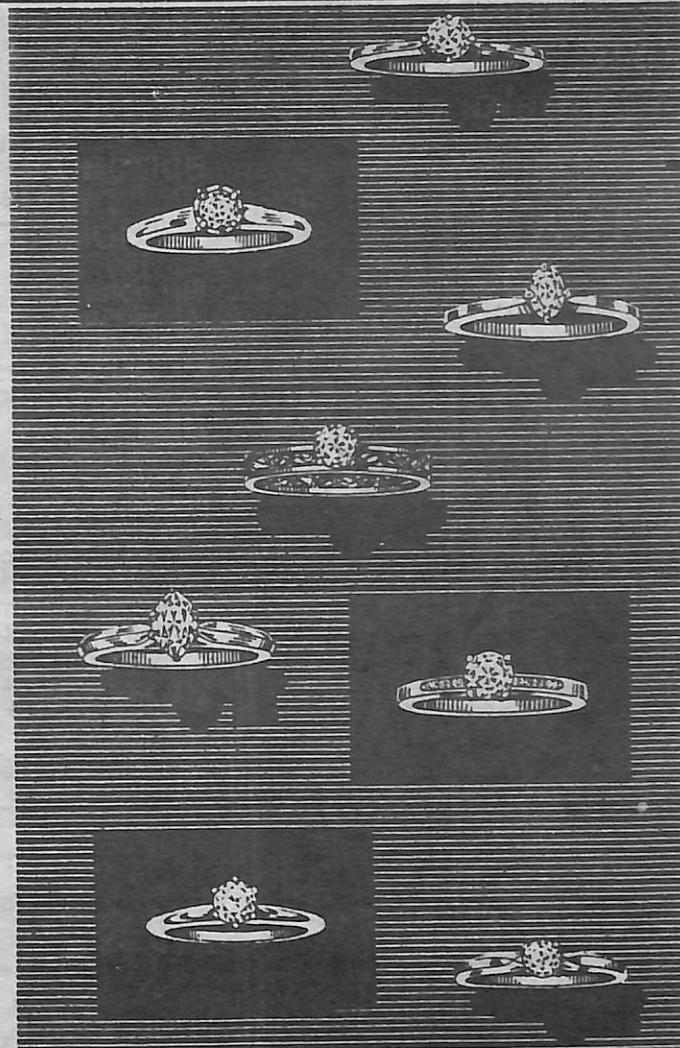
"The original estimate for the repair of the bridge was \$13 million. However," she continued, "after substantial repairs were underway, it became apparent that the damage was structural and severe, and two-thirds of the bridge would have to be demolished. It was clear that a complete reconstruction was necessary, and the cost would be \$20 million."

Melconian stated, "My office has been updated continuously by District II, State Department of Public Works Director, Joseph Superneau. Mr. Superneau has indicated that the new design would be completed in November 1992, and that advertising for bids would begin in mid-December. It is expected that the construction would begin in March of 1993 and be completed by the end of 1995. Furthermore, I have been assured by Mr. Superneau that 'no special appropriations are necessary.'"

Senator Melconian concluded by stating, "Notwithstanding the reconstruction process, current traffic flow management plans will not change. No one is happy about the bridge situation, but be assured that I will consistently monitor this project to see that it remains a high priority project and that it is completed on schedule."

"My most pressing concern is to assure area motorists of safe and efficient crossings now and after the actual reconstruction begins."

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**Campaign '92 - continued...****Neal Bill Would Help Holders Of IRAs**

Last weekend, House and Senate conferees in Washington, D.C., reached an agreement on a \$27 billion urban aid and tax bill (HR 11) that includes legislation introduced by Massachusetts Second District Congressman Richard E. Neal to enhance benefits for holders of Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs).

The compromise package must now be approved by Congress before being sent to the President.

The IRA provisions included in the conference report would remove penalties for those early withdrawals for medical expenses, the cost of education, and the purchase of a first home. All three of these recommendations were included in the Individual Retirement Options Improvement Act introduced by Congressman Neal in the first session of the 102nd Congress in 1991.

The House-Senate agreement approved last weekend would also allow the long-term unemployed to make penalty-free withdrawals from their IRA'S.

"I am pleased that the IRA provisions that I sponsored have remained in the final version of the tax bill, and I now urge President Bush to sign it. The IRA portion of the tax bill was specifically designed to give the working men and women of this country a break," said Congressman Neal.

He added, "It is the middle-class who benefit the most from IRA's, and they should not be penalized for using their savings towards the purchase of a first home or a child's education."

**Caplain Guest Of Agawam Republicans**

Bill Caplain, candidate for State Senator from the First Hampden District, was a guest at the October 3rd meeting of the Agawam Republican Committee at Oak Ridge Country Club.

Caplin is a 20-year resident of Springfield, a local business owner, father, and veteran of Vietnam. He has been active for some time in Mother's Against Drunk Driving and is a director on the Springfield Board of Service for Seniors.

In a brief speech, Bill pledged to bring government back to the people and work to continue the revitalization of Massachusetts.

Bill extended an invitation to the voters of his District to meet with him and his wife, Mary, on October 14th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at a get acquainted and open house fundraiser at the Oaks Inn, 1070 Suffield Street, Agawam.

Tickets are \$15 and will be available at the door. Come and ask questions! Remember to vote on November 3rd.

**Councilor Willis Has Office Hours Set**

Town Councilor Joanne H. Willis will hold office hours on Saturday, October 10th, 1992, at the Faolin Peirce Community Room, Agawam Police Station, 681 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Councilor Willis will be available from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. to listen to constituent concerns on various issues facing the town.

All residents are invited to attend.

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**Agawam Obituaries****Stephen S. Ruddock**

Stephen S. Ruddock, 79, of 29 Parkview Drive, Feeding Hills, a retired accountant and office manager, died recently at home.

He worked at Boxmakers Inc., Standard Electric Time Co., and the Springfield Action Commission before his retirement in 1977.

Born in New London, Conn., he lived formerly in the Springfield area, and was a graduate of the former Technical High School in Springfield. He also attended the former Massachusetts Nautical School (now the Massachusetts Maritime Academy).

He moved to Feeding Hills 33 years ago. He was a member of the Agawam Baptist Church, and was past treasurer, a choir member, a trustee, and a member of its Mr. and Mrs. Club. He was also a life member of the Boy Scouts.

He leaves his wife, the former Alice R. Hickland; three sons, David S. of Springfield, Mark S. of Agawam, and Bruce E. of Feeding Hills; four daughters, Judith A. Kryeski of Holyoke, Barbara J. Link of Yarmouth, Maine, Linda L. Ruddock of Springfield, and Mary Alice Delude of Chicopee; three sisters, Lucille Tripp of Sarasota, Florida, Leora King of Springfield, and Alice Belleville of Tyler, Texas, and 10 grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted in Agawam Baptist Church. Burial will be in Springfield Street Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home was in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pioneer Valley Hospice, Box 51946, Springfield, 01151-5946, or the Association for Community Living, 27 School Street, Springfield.

**Charlotte Joyce**

Charlotte (White) Joyce, 71, of 9 Alfred Court, Agawam, a retired 22-year customer service representative at the former West Springfield store of Sears Roebuck & Co., died at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

Born in Millbury, she lived in Agawam for 42 years. She worshipped at Agawam Congregational Church.

She leaves her husband, Luther G. Joyce; a daughter, Sandra J. Fleming of Feeding Hills; a sister, Beulah Andrews of Westhampton; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Colonial Funeral Home, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation of Springfield, P.O. Box 80715, Forest Park Station, Springfield, 01128; the American Heart Association, 20 Speen Street, Framingham, 01701-4680; or Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, MA, 01101.

**LEGAL NOTICE****LEGAL NOTICE****LEGAL NOTICE****LEGAL NOTICE****TOWN OF AGAWAM  
BOARD OF APPEALS**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing in the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1992 at 6:30 P.M. o'clock, for all parties interested in the appeal of HENRY AND THERESA PERUSSE who are seeking a Special Use Permit in accordance with Section 180-11 of the Zoning Ordinances which would allow for the creation of a second housekeeping unit, to the existing single family residence at the premises identified as 335 ADAMS STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,  
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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## Families

### Kids' Halloween Party At Storrowton Village Beginning Oct. 23rd

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Haunted Old New England, sponsored by Big Y Supermarkets and co-sponsored by WHYN Radio and WWLP TV-22, will run for two weekends of spooky, family fun with the Haunted Barn, Spooky Storytelling, Costume Parade, Carved Pumpkin Contest, Face Painting, and much more.

Haunted Old New England begins Friday, October 23rd, from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m. The costume parade begins at 7:30 p.m.

The dates and times include Saturday, October 24th, 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, October 25th, 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.; Thursday, October 29th, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, October 30th, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.; and Saturday, October 31st, 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.

General admission tickets may be purchased at any Big Y store, Storrowton Village Museum, or through Easter Seals. Ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, and \$1 discount if purchased with a Big Y Express Savings Card.

Construction, signage, design, and staffing of the Haunted Barn is courtesy of Westover Job Corps.

Proceeds from Haunted Old New England help to provide Easter Seal programs and services for children and adults with physical disabilities.

As part of the Halloween Celebration, the Agawam Repertory Theater will present "A Very Proper Murder" at the Moses Theater.

For more information on theater dates, times, and ticket prices, call the Easter Seal Society at 734-6434.

### Church To Appreciate Big E Volunteers At Annual Dinner

A "Big E Celebration and Appreciation Dinner" will take place at Agawam United Methodist Church this Saturday, October 10th, starting at 2:00 p.m.

All who worked on the church's pie-baking and food booths crews and their families will be the guests for a dinner comprised of ham, ziti, salad, hamburgers, rolls, and ice cream.

Percy Mickey was General Chairman, and Marjorie Barr headed the Baking Crew.

"Healed By Faith" will be the worship theme this Sunday (October 11th) at Agawam United Methodist Church at the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service.

Children's Sunday School begins at the same time for infants through grade eight. New worshippers, and Sunday School children are especially welcome.

Pastor Laurence Hill will conduct the service, and Mrs. Love Ashton will direct the choir.

The first of its Major Visitation Sundays will start from Agawam United Methodist Church this Sunday at 1:00 p.m. Members of the church will join Pastor Hill to go out into the community in pairs making friendly visits.

The Evening Prayer and Song Service at Agawam United Methodist Church will start at 7:00 p.m. Sunday.

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AGAWAM YOUTH FOOTBALL DANCE COMMITTEE members are hard at work planning an Oldies Dance on October 9th. From left - Deborah Graves, Sheryl Melbourne, Judi Brosseau, Chris Blevins, and Diane Biebel. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Agawam Youth Football Plans Oldies Dance

The Agawam Youth Football Association will be sponsoring an "Oldies Dance" on Friday, October 9th, at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills.

Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased from any team member, parent, or at the door. Come and have fun with D.J. Charles Parker, and help support Agawam Youth Football.

### Final Sign-Ups For Cub Pack 85 Oct. 16th

Cub Scout Pack 85 will hold its final sign-ups on October 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Agawam Methodist Church on Mill Street. It is a very active pack and is looking for a few good boys who love to have fun!

During the 1991-92 season, scouts camped at Moses Reservation and Treasure Valley; hiked Mt. Tom and Laughing Brook; went aboard C5A's at Westover; and visited Channel 57, the Police Station, Fire Station, and the Shriners' Hospital.

The Webelos Den built a Wacky racer which won a trophy at Webelos Woods. In addition to holding a Pinewood Derby (at which one of its

scouts won first place in the district), the pack has bike rodeos, kite derbies, Halloween and Christmas parties, Blue and Gold banquet, a summer pool party, and performed such activities as making pizza and cookies and learning magic tricks.

The goal of Cub Scout Pack 85 is to have fun and learn. So, if this is your goal for yourself or your son, come join the pack on October 16th and see for yourself.

For further information, please call 789-1529 or 786-9284.

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**GOLDEN AGERS - from Page 1...**

President Scherpa announced that two couples attending the banquet were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries in 1992 and one couple was married for 55 years. He named Norman and Sophie Jasmin and Paul and Sophie Martin as the 50-year celebrants and Harvey and Margaret Sheridan as the 55-year couple.

A decorated miniature wedding cake was given to each couple by Lee Dion, who had prepared them in her home for this special occasion. The assembled Seniors all sang *Happy Anniversary* as their celebrating friends beamed in appreciation for the recognition they had just received.

Program Chairperson Virginia Lake called Barbara Hodges to the podium to get a floral tribute for her assistance in forming the original Golden Age Club in Agawam in 1956.

Three Agawam Center churches sponsored the newly formed Seniors Club: St. John's Roman Catholic Church; Agawam Baptist Church; and Agawam Congregational Church.

Club meetings were first held in the churches and in other places, then in the old Main Street former Post Office Building and finally at present, in the Agawam Senior Center.

The second chapter of the Agawam Golden Age Club was founded on September 29, 1982 by Louis Scherpa, who was elected its first president. He has served as the leader of Chapter II for 10 consecutive years, receiving standing ovations from all the Club members during officer installations held each year.

Surprise gifts were presented to both Louis Scherpa and his wife, Louise, for their dedicated service to Agawam Golden Agers, Chapter II. Tenth Anniversary balloons were tied to the Scherpa's banquet chairs and everyone in attendance was given an attractive ballpoint pen and a Club History Booklet as souvenirs of the day.

Next on the program was an enjoyable musical concert, performed by talented Irene Mikus and her niece, which included violin, piano and handbell selections.

Louis Scherpa concluded the afternoon's activities by making a statement of appreciation to the Club members who arranged the 10th Anniversary Banquet: Virginia Lake, food and programs; Edwin and Kathleen Arnold, ticket sales; Edward Grimes, table reservations; Lee Dion, anniversary cakes; Ellie Bissonneault, Club History Booklet; Annette Phaneuf, Sunshine Lady; Edward and Alice Morytko, anniversary pens; and Edith Graham, pictures.

Club member Russell Haynes led the closing song, *God Bless America* to send the happy Seniors on their way home.

## Youth Drop-In Ctr. Meeting To Be Held

Have you heard the news? There are people from various churches and civic organizations in this town who are trying to open a Youth Drop-In Center.

Their purpose is to provide a youth hangout with supervision and a positive atmosphere. The first step in meeting this goal will be opening space at the Agawam Baptist Church on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Friday evenings.

During these times, the youth will have the opportunity to play basketball, ping-pong, and other activities, as well as have snacks and (of course) space to just hangout.

In order to be able to function effectively, there is a need for contributions from civic organizations and businesses, as well as people to spend time with the youth.

An open house is planned for the middle of October to acquaint interested people with the facilities and the type of program proposed. If you have any questions, call Tina Wright at 786-1432, or Dave Anderson at the Agawam Baptist Church at 786-7300.

## Father Joyce Reception Slated For Oct. 11th

There will be a reception on Sunday, October 11th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. for Father David Joyce at the Sacred Heart Parish Center.

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SERVINGS AS CO-CHAIRWOMEN of the Agawam Golden Age Club's 10th Anniversary Banquet were Ellie Boisoneault (left) and Virginia Lake; Alice and Edward Morytko served as co-chairpersons of the souvenir committee. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



BARBARA HODGES was an honored guest at the Agawam Golden Age Club's 10th Anniversary Banquet. Pictured with Barbara are Edward Grimes, chapter vice-president (left) and Ernest Swanson, chapter treasurer. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## Louis & Hazel Berrelli Celebrate 50th

Louis and Hazel Berrelli of West Yarmouth, MA (formerly of Agawam) will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on October 13th, 1992.

The couple were married in Australia in 1942 and have seven children: Ann Bohemier of North Carolina; Liz Russell and Lois Palmer, both from New Hampshire; John Berrelli of Chicopee; and Beverly Loizzo. Louis Berrelli, Jr., and Janet Shean, all from Feeding Hills.

In addition, the Berrellis have 18 grandchildren.

In honor of their parents' golden wedding anniversary, the families are sending them on a vacation trip to Australia.

## Timeless Truth For Today To Pay Or Not To Pay

by Roger Martin, Pastor  
Agawam Church of the Bible

Tuition for the "role model" preschool program in Agawam: "To pay or not to pay?" That is at least one of the questions raised in our community's latest controversy.

Through state funding, the town of Agawam administers a preschool program for special needs children free of charge. Non-special needs children have been encouraged to participate in the program as "role models" for the classroom.

The program has been free for the "role model" children for several years, but this year a monthly tuition was proposed for the families of "role model" children.

The thinking behind the proposal was that it was reasonable for "role model" families to pay at least something for the preschool care they were receiving. Opponents will point to the fact that the program has already been paid for through state funding, so "free admission" is reasonable.

Well, the "cost" question is just one of the issues in the current debate, but it reminds me of a debate that has been waged for centuries regarding the grace of God.

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The Bible teaches that Jesus died to pay the price for our sins and bring us to God. "For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God..." (I Peter 3:18)

The question remains: How do I receive the benefits of what Christ has done for me? Some suggest that Christ's work is a free gift one had only to receive, while others insist that some kind of work or price should be paid to receive it.

See the parallel? The "funding" for salvation has already been paid by Christ. Do I have to "pay" something or work to receive God's forgiveness, or can I participate free of charge?

I'm not sure there is a clear answer on the tuition issue, but God's answer to the grace issue is much more clear when you consider the following truths from the Bible.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8,9)

"Now when a man works, his wages are not credited to him as a gift, but as an obligation. However, to the man who does not work, but trusts God who justifies the wicked, his faith is credited as righteousness." (Romans 4:4,5)

Get out a Bible and check it out for yourself. And while it appears that a tuition will be charged for preschool in January, you can be certain that God's gift of salvation will never have to be earned; it can only be received by trusting Jesus Christ.

## Welcome Wagon Of Agawam/West Side Announces Plans For New Club Year

Starting its fourth year, the Welcome Wagon Club of West Springfield and Agawam recently announced its plans for the September 1992—June 1993 club year.

The club was started three years ago by the then Westside Wagon hostess, Theresa Powers, and a group of three women new to the area. They were joined by a few new mothers (and even some longtime area residents) who were also in need of opportunities for socialization and civic service.

As a result, the club has grown to include all these groups, and offers a variety of activities to meet the women's different interests.

Monthly meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Mittineague Congregational Church, Route 20, West Springfield, in the upstairs meeting room. The next meeting is October 13th.

The meetings feature craft projects, speakers or another activity, plans for civic service projects, informational sharing, and socializing.

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In addition, one playgroup for two year-olds meets weekly, and interest has been expressed in

starting a group for one year-olds. A group of older playgroup "graduates" still gets together occasionally.

Couples' activities planned for the club year include a Halloween Murder Mystery Night, Christmas dinner, a games' night, and a mid-winter evening of bowling and pizza.

One Thursday night per month is the popular Ladies' Night Out. Plans for this year include indoor miniature golf, a night at Chi-Chi's, a Christmas carriage ride through downtown Springfield, and an evening at a comedy club.

Planned service projects include a clothing and toiletry articles collection for a local women's shelter, and support for St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, the Welcome Wagon Club charity nationally.

Interested people are always welcome to join, or simply to attend a meeting to find out more about the club. Come join its members on the 13th.

Call Virginia Ventulett, 789-3099, for more information.

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# Senior Center Lunch Menu

**Monday, October 12th: Holiday—Columbus Day.**

**Tuesday, October 13th: Birthday Celebration—Yankee pot roast, potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables, whole wheat bread, birthday cake.**

**Wednesday, October 14th: Roast turkey, stuffing with gravy, acorn squash, Canadian oat bread, pineapple chunks.**

**Thursday, October 15th: Zucchini soup, roast beef sandwich, cucumber/tomato salad, prunes.**

**Friday, October 16th: Baked fish, rice pilaf, cole slaw, pumpernickel bread, vanilla pudding with whipped topping.**

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

## *Speaking From The Bible* **“It’s Voting Time”**

**by Tom Crouse, Assistant Pastor**  
Faith Bible Church, 370 Shoemaker Lane

As we get close to the election for our President, I am always amazed when I talk to someone with strong opinions about politics, and find out that they are not even registered to vote!

Although they are opinionated, they do not see the need to vote. Usually what happens is that their candidate will not win, and they will complain about the winner of the election. But the fact is that by not voting, they have cast a vote for someone that they were opposed to strongly. By not voting, they have received the thing they have dreaded.

The same is true spiritually. People, when told of the salvation that is theirs by the shed blood of Jesus Christ on Calvary, will often respond by saying they are not ready to make a decision. They will claim that they are not against Jesus Christ, but they are just not ready to choose.

They will say that they would love to live a happy, peaceful life on earth, and would love to spend eternity in Heaven, but they are not ready to make the decision. They will agree that it sounds horrible to live in Hell for eternity, but they are not ready to make a decision.

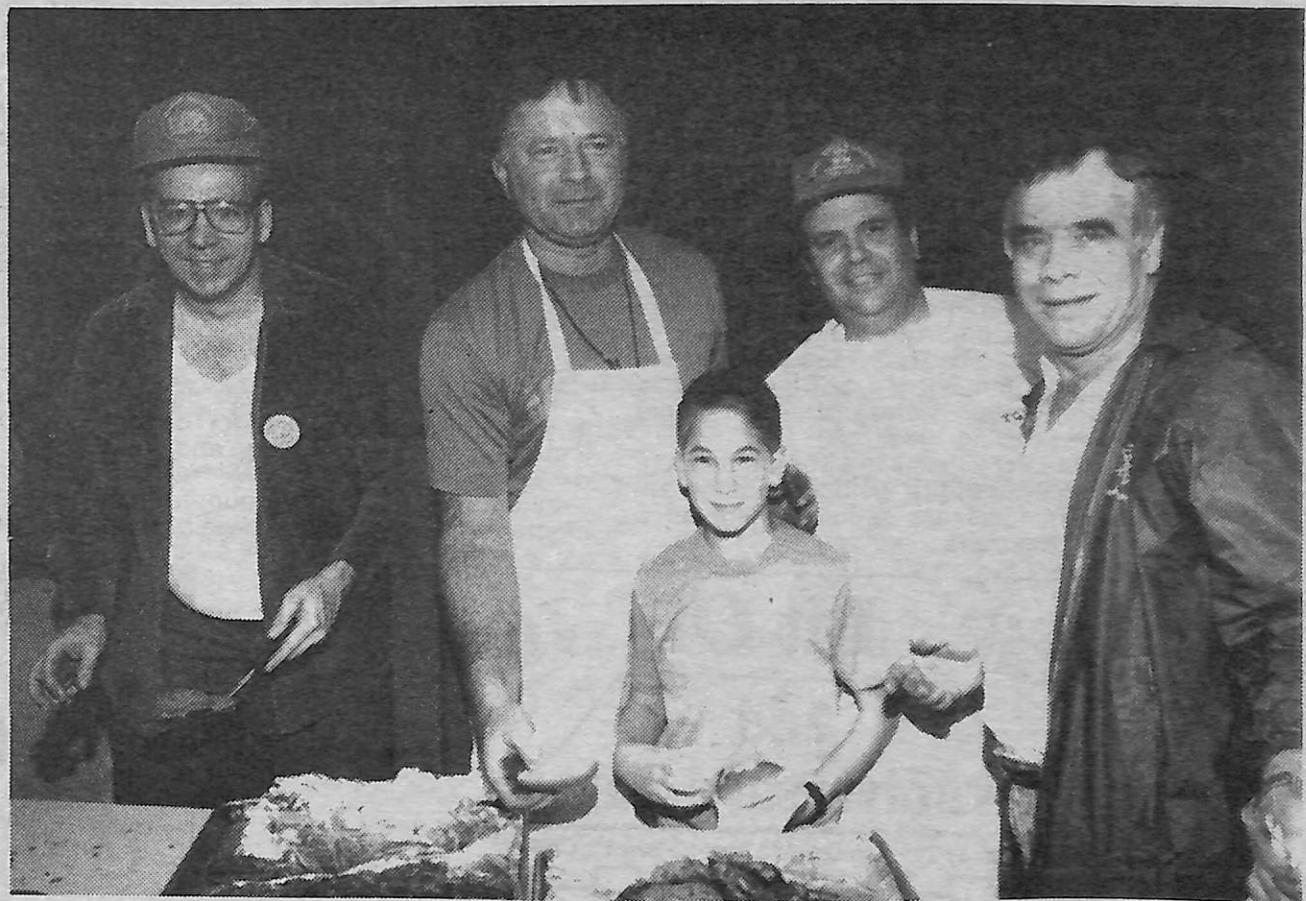
Again the fact is that by not making a decision, they are voting for the thing they dread. By not accepting the gift of salvation, by not asking Jesus to be your Lord and Saviour, they are voting for a life of unhappiness with no peace here on earth, and they are voting to spend an eternity in the flames of Hell.

So, as we come to election time, I would urge you to cast your vote—politically and spiritually!

## Senator Melconian’s Annual Family Picnic



DESPITE RAINY WEATHER, State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) held her Annual Family Picnic at the Polish American Club on Sunday, September 27th. IN PHOTO ABOVE, Senator Melconian is pictured with Feeding Hills resident Jane Dennis (left), her nephew, Michael (holding him), and Feeding Hills resident Joann McGeoghan and her new son, Rob. IN PHOTO BELOW, pictured are volunteer workers David Fillion, former Town Councilor Don Laduzenski, David Laduzenski, Don Weissman, and Mustapha Rahal. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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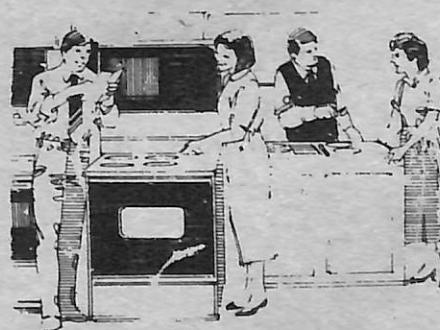
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A RAINY SUNDAY DIDN'T DETER a huge crowd from enjoying a nice afternoon at the Annual Family Picnic sponsored by State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) at the Polish American Club. IN TOP PHOTO helpers pictured are Ann Marie Richard, Maureen Scibelli, John Grimaldi, and Eleanor Stepanik; IN PHOTO BELOW, pictured are Connie Herbert, Candice Lopes, and Rosemary Sandlin, Senator Melconian's administrative aide. RELATED PHOTOS ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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## Forastiere Family Has Grief Discussion Group

The Forastiere Family Funeral Homes are offering a Discussion Group to anyone in the community who is grieving the death of a loved one. Free of charge, this program is part of the Forastieres' community service commitment which they call "OPTIONS ... for a brighter tomorrow."

The Discussion Group will meet on Tuesday, October 13th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church (in the lower church hall), 123 William Street, Springfield. Group Facilitator, Lila Forastiere, will show the film "How Do I Go On: re-designing your future after crisis has changed your life," and then discussion of the film will follow.

"How Do I Go On..." was produced and written by Dr. James E. Miller, who is an ordained Minister whose seminars, writings, and video productions have informed and inspired audiences across the nation. The photographer, Stephen M. Perfect, has received the Photographic Society of America's Chicago Roberts Medal and numerous other awards.

The film was created for people who are facing a future that will be different from the future they have always counted upon. The viewer will be led through a five-step process that encourages the honest facing of these feelings, the deliberate exploration of options; the careful reassembling of one's plans that will lead to a more fulfilling life.

This film is one of many that is part of the Forastiere Family Funeral Homes' Lending Library, which is available to the public.

To be a part of the Discussion Program, the participant needs merely to attend; no pre-registration is necessary. For further information, call the Forastiere Funeral Home at 733-5311.

The Forastiere Family Funeral Homes are comprised of Forastiere Funeral Home in Springfield, Colonial Funeral Home in Agawam, and Southwick Funeral Home.

## Acolyte Training Set At Ag. Congregational

The Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, announces that an acolyte training session will take place this Saturday, October 10th, at 10:00 a.m.

Any child in grades two through eight who wishes to become an acolyte is welcome to attend this session. Acolytes date back from the earliest times to honor and serve in the celebration of faith in the community.

One way of serving as an acolyte in the worship service is to bring the light of Christ into the world by lighting the altar candles. Reverend Fuller will lead the training session.

The Wednesday Night Service at the church begins at 7:00 p.m., with the R.E.L.A.T.E. series following at 7:30 p.m. The R.E.L.A.T.E. series is open to all.

One-hundred and seventy-five Anniversary Church Cookbooks will be available by November 1st—reserve yours today! The cookbook is entitled "Breaking Bread Together."

Featuring over 500 treasured recipes, the cookbook costs \$8.50 per copy. Orders are now being taken; call the Agawam Congregational Church office at 786-7111 today to reserve your copies.

The cookbook committee is comprised of Sue Tapply, Judi Brosseau, Jean Tharin, Louise Fuller, and Grace Tilden.

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KAREN WRIGHT &amp; CHRISTOPHER PALTZ

## Karen Wright Engaged To Christopher Paltz

Mr. and Mrs. James Wright of Feeding Hills, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Paltz, Jr., of Agawam would like to announce the engagement of their children, Karen Wright and Christopher Paltz.

They are both graduates of Agawam High School. The bride-to-be is presently finishing her internship towards her bachelor of science degree in physical therapy from Quinnipiac College, and will be pursuing a job in her field. The groom-to-be is presently working at Sullivan Paper Co. in West Springfield.

The couple will be married on October 9th, 1993.

## Agawam VFW Ladies Conduct Meeting

At a recent meeting, Dorothy Ritchie, president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Orville Burt VFW Post (no. 1632) in Agawam, with treasurer Linda Sousa, presented the balance of 1993 dues to state membership chairman Rita Shea, which made Auxiliary 1632 the first in Division 1 in their District 7 to obtain their 100 percent membership.

Mary Ciurleo, District 7 president, made her inspection. She praised the Auxiliary for their efforts in membership, cancer prevention, and national home and other programs which the Auxiliary donated to. The district president was accompanied by her senior vice-president, Julie Morin from Auxiliary no. 872 in Southwick.

One member, Mae O'Neil from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, was also present; Ms. O'Neil lived in the Captain Leonard House at one time and brought up her five children there. Following the meeting, refreshments were served.

Patricia Langlier, a resident of Chicopee, is the state president of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. This is the first time in 27 years that District 7 has had a state president locally.

## AHS Class Of 1962 To Hold Reunion

The 30th reunion of the Agawam High School Class of 1962 will be held at East Mountain Country Club, Westfield, MA, on Saturday, October 24th, 1992.

If any classmate still wishes to attend, please call Sandy (D'Zyga) Ashton at 568-7090 on or before the October 10th deadline.

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## Sunday Afternoons For Families At Sanctuary

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These hour-long family programs, beginning at 2:00 p.m., provide an introduction to an area of natural history and are included in the price of sanctuary admission. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for senior citizens and children under 16, and free for children under three and Massachusetts Audubon members.

The Education Center is open from 12:00 noon to 4:30 p.m.; The Wildlife Exhibits close at 4:00 p.m.

**October 11th: Colors of the Rainbow** - Fall colors make autumn in New England a feast for the eyes, but what is color? What is the difference between the blue of a blue jay's feather and the

blue of a wild aster? Find out as we investigate the colors of the rainbow.

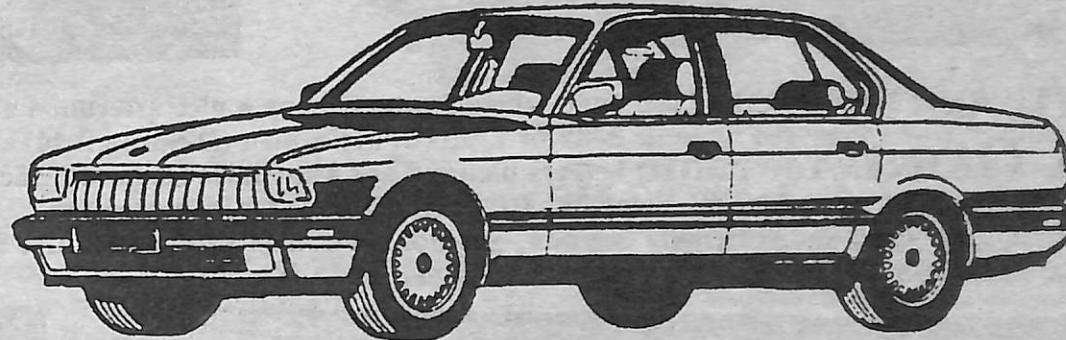
**October 18th: Drifters, Poppers, and Gliders** - Wings, hooks and parachute are basic equipment for dispersing seeds. Join us for a walk on the sanctuary to explore some interesting examples of how seeds disperse.

**October 25th: Family Day** - Today, admission is half the regular price and we offer two programs. At 1:00 p.m., we have **Stories at the Storyteller's House**, an hour of Thornton Burgess stories in the cozy atmosphere of the author's home.

At 2:30 p.m., get an introduction to **New England Wildlife** in a guided tour of our new Northeastern Habitat exhibits.

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## Sherry A. Godek Bride Of Felix Otero

Saint Rose De Lima Church in Chicopee was the setting for the September 20th wedding of Sherry Ann Godek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Godek of Chicopee, to Felix Otero, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcial Otero of Westfield.

The Rev. A. James Thompson of Northfield officiated the afternoon ceremony, during which Robert Honon Jr., friend of the family, provided melodious music on the trumpet.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a floor length straight gown with a detachable train hand decorated in pearls, designed by Jasmin, and carried a bouquet of white callalillies.

Dawn Marie Vann attended her cousin as matron of honor. Bridesmaids included Aida Otero, sister of the groom; Kirsten M. Godek, sister of the bride; Cheryl Kennedy, friend of the bride; and Joanne Hernandez, niece of the groom. They wore plum velvet floor length gowns with an open back. Each attendant carried open stem bouquets of white callalillies.

Real Tanguay served the bridegroom as best man. Ushers were Dean Godek, brother of the bride; Thomas Otero, brother of the groom; and Donald Ellershaw, friend of the groom.

Eric Spencer Goodman carried the rings on a floral decorated heart pillow.

After greeting 250 guests at a reception at the Oak Ridge Country Club in Feeding Hills, the couple left for a honeymoon to Jamaica.

Music at the reception was provided by DJ Robert Honon Jr.

The couple are employed by the City of Westfield.

## Agawam Town History Good Holiday Gift

The *Agawam Town History*, written by Edith LaFrancis, is available for purchase to the public.

Each copy costs \$12.50 (plus tax) and can be bought at the following locations: Agawam Town Hall, the Agawam Public Library, and Surprise! Card & Gift Shop (Southgate Plaza).

## AHS Class Of '73 Plans 20th Reunion

The Agawam High School Class of 1973 is planning its 20th-year reunion.

Anyone interested in working on the reunion committee for this special event is welcome to attend a meeting on Thursday evening, October 22nd, at 6:30 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library.

If you are interested in helping or need more information, please contact Susan Borgatti Meunier at 786-6669 or Peggy Gaona Cardaropoli at 786-5247.

## Many Collectibles At Annual Flea Market At Polish Club

Antiques, collectibles, wood crafts, hand-painted sweatshirts, books, toys, floral wedding arrangements, baskets, jewelry, children's used clothing, household articles, attic treasures, along with the Town of Agawam's own calendar for 1993, designed by the Agawam High School Band Parents Association, will be features of the Polish American Club's first Flea Market and Tag Sale, Sunday, October 11th.

For those who come with an appetite, there will be hot coffee, homemade goodies, snacks and a "Polish Kitchen" at lunch. The kiddies will just love our personable, favorite clown who will be doing some special face painting during this event.

The place is the Polish American Club, 139 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills; the time—10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; free admission and free parking for all.

If you are not familiar with the Polish American Women's Auxiliary, they have been in existence for 32 years, helping the men's organization from time to time, assisting young people with college tuition by offering several \$500 scholarships annually.

Donations have been made to several charities through the years, including sports, 4-H and local school programs. Most recently, the Women's Auxiliary and the Polish American Men's Club, who have served the Agawam Community for 36 years, have donated most generously to the Anne Sullivan Memorial that graces Feeding Hills Center.

## Rosary Altar Society To Celebrate 45th

Members of the Rosary Altar Society of Sacred Heart Church will gather with their guests and new members to celebrate the 45th Anniversary of the Society on October 13th at 7:30 p.m.

A Living Rosary and Benediction will be celebrated in the church to begin the festivities. New members will be installed during the service.

A Procession to the Parish Center will follow, where a brief business meeting will be held, conducted by the President, Carol Lehberger.

Father David Joyce will show slides of his trip to Fatima (on October 13th, 75 years ago, Our Lady Mary first appeared to the three children at Fatima). A history of the Society will be given and the past presidents of the Society will be introduced.

Refreshments and a social hour will follow. All women of Sacred Heart Parish are invited to attend this joyful occasion.

If you would like to attend, please call 786-3384.



PHILIP A. GUAZZALOCA

## Philip A. Guazzaloca Named Elk Of Year

Philip A. Guazzaloca of 121 Westwood Drive, West Springfield has been named Elk of the Year, 1992-93 by the West Springfield Agawam Lodge No. 2174.

Guazzaloca will be honored at a ceremony to commemorate the quincentennial of Christopher Columbus' discovery of America to be held at the Elks Lodge 2174, Morgan Road, West Springfield on November 7th. The evening will begin with cocktails at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m., followed by dancing.

Guazzaloca was born in West Springfield, attended West Springfield schools, graduated from Springfield Trade School, and served in World War II as Third Class Petty Officer Machinist Mate at Pearl Harbor.

He worked at the American Bosch, starting as a turret lathe operator and after 42 years of service, retired as senior manufacturing engineer. He belongs to American Legion Post 207, the American Bosch 25-Year Club, and has served on the following Elks committees:

Charity Whist, 18 years; House Committee, three terms; Board of Trustees, five years; Board of Trustees Chairman, one year.

Guazzaloca's wife and helpmate is Jean (Tupay) Guazzaloca. They have a son, Philip, and a daughter, Donna Marie Guazzaloca Zehl.

His words of advice on the Columbus Quicentennial are, "America. What a wonderful country to live in. I wish I were 21 again."

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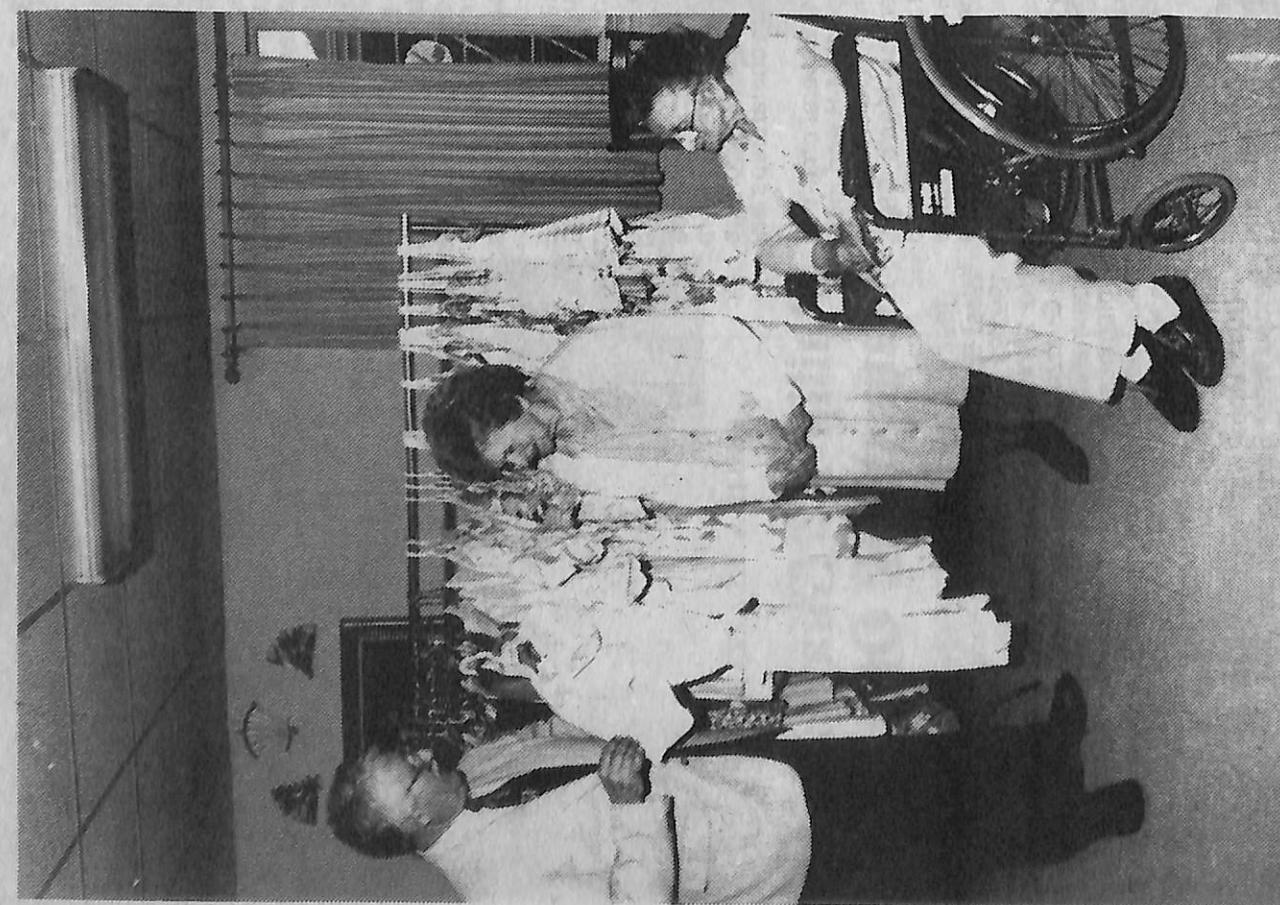
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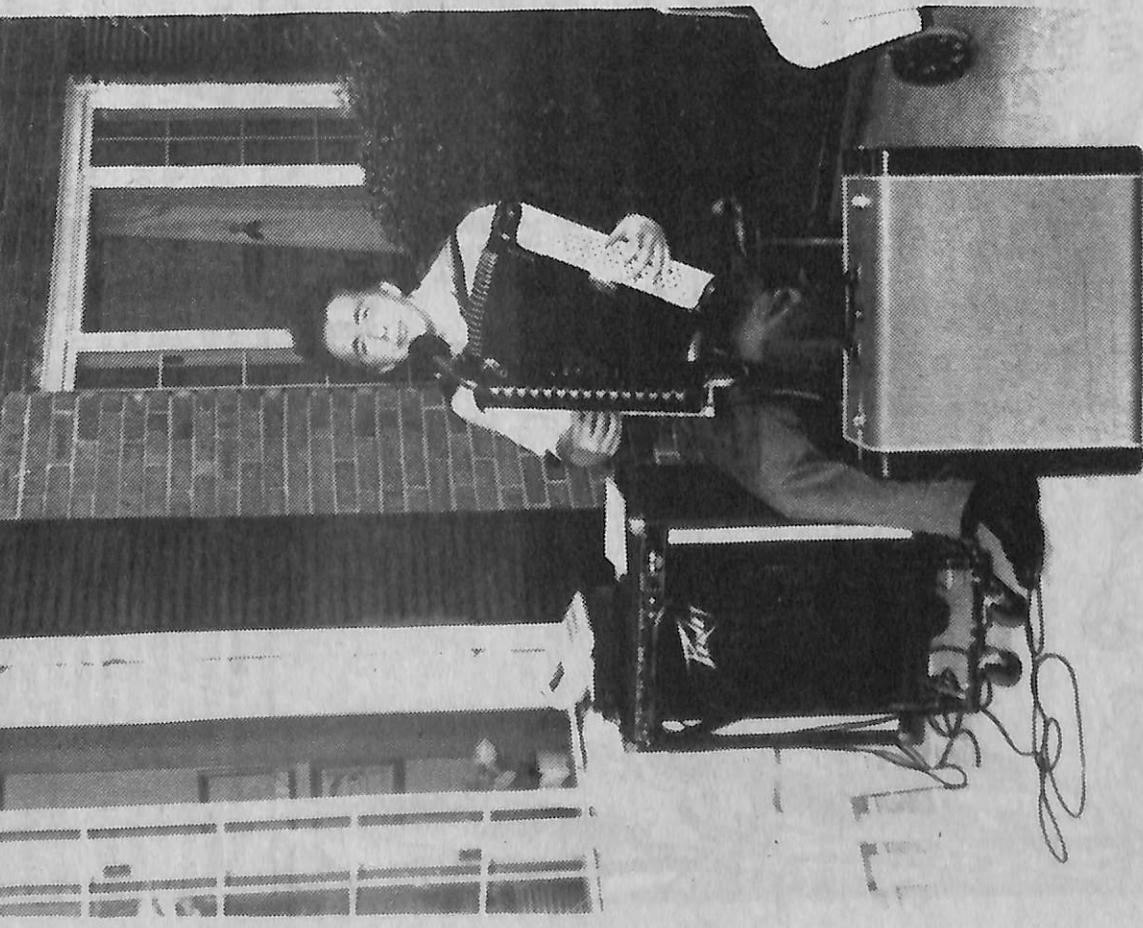
## Heritage Hall Nursing Home Activities



BOB MEACHAM, a personal needs clothing representative, shows a dress to Heritage Hall residents Marion Jensen and Theresa Machecknie, both of the East Building. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SINCE LAST SPRING residents of Heritage Hall Nursing Home West Building have benefitted from the Visiting Pets Program. Once a week, Nancy Gop, a Visiting Pets volunteer, brings "A.J." to brighten the days of the Heritage Hall residents. Pictured are staff member Kay Babcock (left), resident Florence Derosier, Nancy Gop, and "A.J." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE RECENT NICE SUNNY WEATHER saw Heritage Hall residents being entertained by Tom Bilocca on the accordion. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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# Heritage Hall Nursing Home Activities



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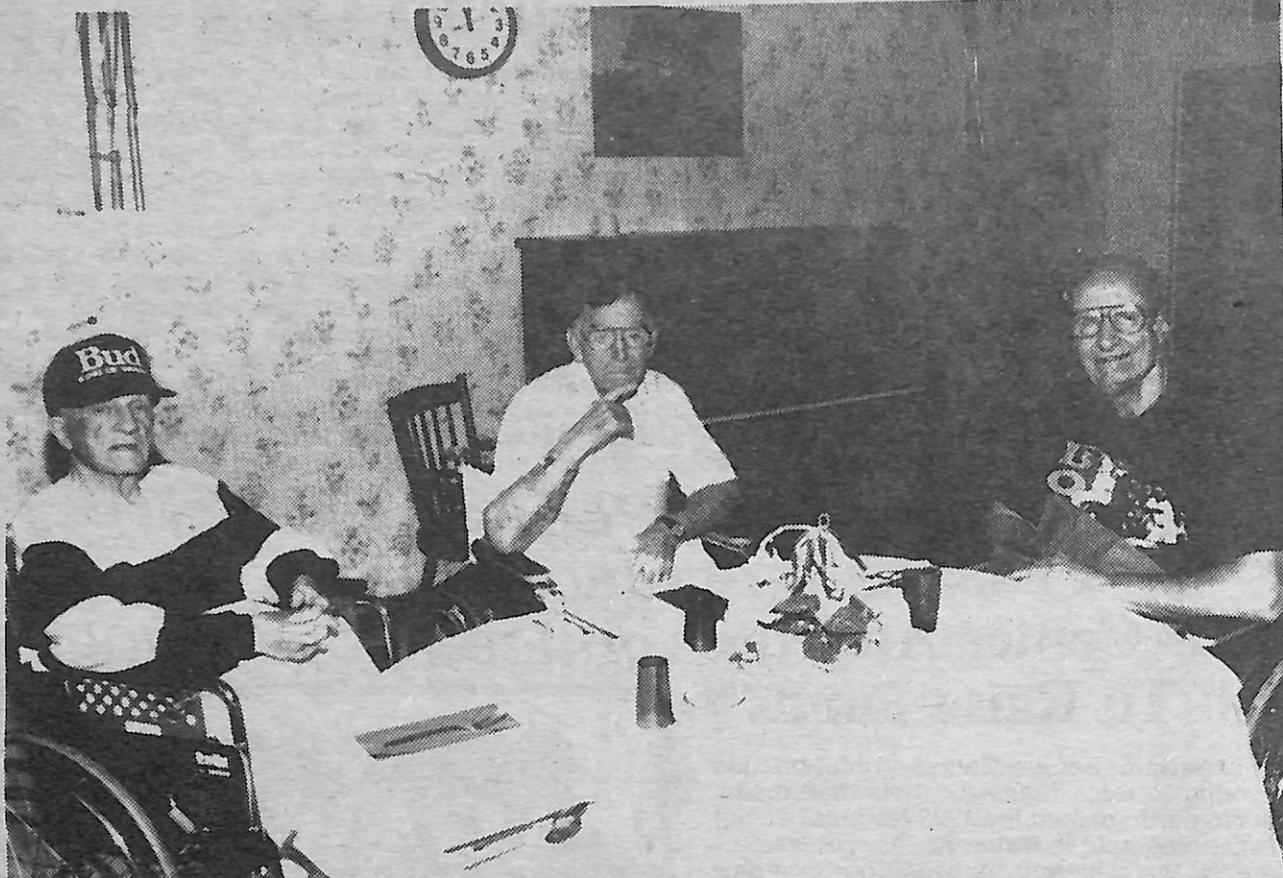
## Ruby Armstrong Celebrates 86th Birthday

Mrs. Ruby Armstrong, wife of the late G. Arthur Armstrong, and the mother of the late Robert N. Armstrong, of 22 Cleveland Street, Feeding Hills, recently celebrated her 86th birthday.

A surprise birthday party, attended by many, was given in her honor at the famed Partners Restaurant on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, by her sons, Kenneth of East Longmeadow and Roland (who resides at the same address), and her nephew, Henry Whitlock (who assisted), who resides at the Shibley Court Apartments in Feeding Hills.

Mrs. Armstrong has 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, and many nephews and nieces. She has been a resident of Feeding Hills for 80 years and is a member of St. David's Episcopal Church.

She has a sister, Mrs. Gladys Brouillet, who resides with her, and a brother who resides in Florida.



WHILE IT WAS BASTILLE DAY IN FRANCE in July, Heritage Hall residents, from left -Reggie Duguay, Henry Fessler, and Robert Lamothe recently enjoyed a French style dinner.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

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BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD  
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman

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Charles R. Calabrese

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ANNIE BROUGHTON

## Annie Broughton: Resident Of The Week

Annie Broughton was born in 1905. She and her twin brothers were brought up on a farm in Blandford, Massachusetts. She was then a resident of West Springfield for over 50 years.

Annie has three children, Marvin, Frances and Ethel, eight grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. Her husband Russell is a resident at the Veterans' Home in Northampton.

Annie was employed for many years at the Strathmore Paper Company and then the Springfield Y.M.C.A. Traveling was one of Annie's favorite pastimes; she toured much of the United States and visited exciting places such as Hawaii and Bermuda.

Crocheting, embroidery, and making patchwork quilts were a few of her talents. She was also a very active member of the Golden Agers and the Blandford and West Springfield Granges.

Annie has been a resident of Heritage Hall South since April, and we are very happy to have her as a part of our family.



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## October Busy Month For F.H. Grange

October is a busy month for Grange members. At the first regular meeting, a program of Community Service will be introduced, as well as receiving applications for membership. These candidates will receive the first and second degrees on October 20th.

The usual card party on October 15th will be conducted by Maria Giroux and Elsie Johnson.

Junior Grange will start its regular schedule with meetings the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6:30 p.m. These meetings will be October 12th and 26th.

Four members will attend the Massachusetts State Grange Session at Sturbridge Host Hotel from October 21st through 24th, with Pauline Provost, Master, serving as Community Grange delegate.

A new look for the Grange Home may be finished this month: white vinyl siding and all new windows and doors. Watch for it soon!

## Senior Center Athletes Wish To Raise Funds

The "Agawam Senior Games Athletes" are endeavoring to raise funds for their 1992 medal winners to participate in the 1993 National Senior Olympics to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

There will be a benefit car wash on Saturday, October 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will take place at the Agawam Senior Center, 68 Meadowbrook Manor.

Cars will be washed for \$2 and small trucks for \$3.

The Senior Center is proud of its competitors. Seventeen Agawam Seniors won a total of 30 medals in the first Massachusetts Senior Games this past June at Springfield College.

If any Senior is interested in participating in the Massachusetts Games to be held this coming June, they are welcome to join.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Senior Center at 786-0400, ext. 242. Many interesting sporting activities will be taking place during this year.

## Laughing Brook Open On Columbus Day

Laughing Brook Education Center And Wildlife Sanctuary, in Hampden will be open to the public on Columbus Day, Monday, October 12th from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

A special holiday program for families, "Chemistry of Fall," is offered at 2:00 p.m. and is included in the price of admission. Crimson, saffron and gold are just a few of the colors that describe autumn leaves.

Enjoy a leisurely walk through the sanctuary and discover what causes this spectacular show. Visitors can also hike scenic walking trails which wind through field and forest, or explore the wildlife exhibits on their own.

Sanctuary admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors and children ages three to 16. Children under three and Massachusetts Audubon members are admitted free.

For further information, call Laughing Brook at 413-566-8034.

## Community Jr. Grange To Begin New Season

Community Junior Grange No. 105 of Feeding Hills will hold its first meeting of the new year on Monday, October 12th, at 6:30 p.m. The Grange Hall is located at 47 North West Street.

Boys and girls between the ages of five and 14 are invited to join. Meetings are held twice a month, and dues are \$1 per year.

If you are interested in becoming a member or would like more information, please stop by the Grange Hall on the 12th.

## Fall Rummage Sale At Mittineague Church

The Women's Guild of the Mittineague Congregational Church will hold their Fall Rummage Sale on Friday, October 16th at 1840 Westfield Street, West Springfield.

The sale will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Charles King Fellowship Hall of the church.

Offered for sale will be clothing for the entire family, household items, bric-a-brac, toys, games, books, shoes, boots, linens, and something for everyone.

## Agawam Celebrating National 4-H Week

A reception and coffee hour will be held in Agawam to celebrate National 4-H Week. This will be held on Friday, October 16th, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library. The public is welcome.

4-H is open to boys and girls aged six to 19 and makes a major contribution to our nation by helping youths acquire knowledge and develop life skills that help them become self-directing, productive, and contributing members of society.

Information will be provided to those interested in joining 4-H, and sign-ups for the Agawam 4-H clubs will be taken at this time.

Please call Sue Bonini (786-9049), Pat Bertone-Gross (789-0379), or Maryellen Sullivan (786-2623) for further information.

## Agawam Garden Club To Meet October 13

The Agawam Garden Club will meet October 13th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Captain Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

The program for the evening will be a flower arranging demonstration by Bob Whitney of the Root Seller. He is a member of the American Institute of Floral Designers, a national organization of floral designers.

Bob will delight you with his wit, humor, and unique tropical flower arrangement.

Payment for banquet reservations will also be accepted at this meeting.

New members are always welcome and the public is invited. Refreshments will be served. Please join us for a wonderful evening.

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## Ag. Women To Attend District Conference

The General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts will be holding a District Conference on Wednesday, October 21st, at the Depot in Northampton. The conference is under the direction of the 14th and 15th Districts and will start at 9:30 a.m.

The morning session will be handled by Mrs. Helen Roberts, 15th District Director, who will be introducing Mrs. Martha Michalewich, Leadership-Membership Chairman; Mrs. Harriet Weston, NEADS Project Chairman; and Mrs. Doris Carroll, Education Chairman.

The afternoon session will be handled by Mrs. Laura S. Coppola, 14th District Director, who will present Mrs. Grace Friary, who'll speak on land preservation.

The conference is open to the public, and reservations may be made by contacting Mrs. Beatrice Nowill at 786-4506.

## Harvest Oldies Dance By Ag. Band Parents

The Agawam High School Band Parents will hold a "Harvest Oldies Dance" on Friday, October 23rd, from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight at the Polish American Club, Feeding Hills.

Musical entertainment will be provided by D.J. Bill Daudelin, and everyone is invited to bring their own snacks.

The cost is \$5 per person prior to the day of the event, and \$6 per person at the door. To reserve tickets ahead of time, call Wes Mueller at 789-1757, or Chris Mangano at 789-3128.

## Cub Pack 78 Plans Car Wash For Oct. 10th

Cub Scout Pack 78 will be having a car wash on Saturday, October 10th, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church on Route 57, across from Agawam High School.

Donation is \$2. Proceeds from the wash will be used to support such scout activities as the annual Pinewood Derby and the Winter Campout at Camp Moses.

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## Fatima Program At Ag. Catholic Women

Mena Decarvalho of Springfield, a member of the Blue Army of Mary, will present a program on "Our Lady of Fatima" at the October 12th meeting of the Agawam Catholic Women's Club at 8:00 p.m. in the Social Center of St. John the Evangelist Church on Main Street.

Linda Bryskiewicz, chairwoman of the program, said that the 75th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun, associated with the appearances of Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima, will be celebrated around the world on October 13th. Miss Decarvalho is a teacher at Central High School.

Elaine Smith, president, will preside over the business, and Mary Lou Vigue, refreshment chairwoman, will be assisted by Lorraine Davis, Stella Longhi, Penny DeForge, Eileen Ratkiewicz, Claire Kaczmarczyk, Jackie Morgan, and Linda Bryskiewicz.

## Mittineague Church Plans Harvest Supper

Mittineague United Methodist Church, 800 Amostown Road, West Springfield will be holding their Harvest Fair and Supper on Friday, October 16th from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m., and Saturday, October 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Sittings for the supper will be on Sunday at 5:00 and 6:30 p.m. The cost for adults is \$7; children between the age of six and 12, \$3; and children under six are free.

Reservations may be made by calling 788-0304 or 739-6190.

## Dominican Nuns To Hold Monthly Hour Of Prayer

The monthly Hour of Prayer and Song for the families of the world will be held at the Dominican Nuns' Monastery Chapel, 1430 Riverdale Street, West Springfield on Sunday, October 19th at 4:00 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

The service will include the singing of Evening Prayer and the recitation of the rosary, sermon and Benediction.

## Jr. Women's Club To Meet Oct. 20th

The October meeting of the Agawam Junior Women's Club will be held on Tuesday, October 20th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

The program for the evening will be a Pumpkin-Decorating Workshop. Anyone interested in learning more about the club is welcome to attend. Please call Pat at 786-3191 for a list of supplies to bring for the workshop. The Junior Women's Club welcomes new members interested in making friends while serving the community.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts.

## Breakfast Program At Ag. Senior Center

On Monday, October 19th, the Agawam Senior Center, 68 Meadowbrook Manor (off Wright Street), will be hosting another Breakfast Program in conjunction with Senior Class of Baystate Medical Center.

Breakfast will commence at 8:00 a.m. with a presentation at 9:00 a.m.

The topic will be Medical Ethics.

Breakfast will comprise of juice, coffee, cereal, fruit and muffin and the donation will be \$1.50 per person.

For reservations, call the Senior Center at 786-0400, ext. 242 or "The Professionals" at 784-2255.

## Agawam High Soccer Parents Slate Oldies Dance Oct. 16th

The Agawam High School Soccer Parents Association will sponsor an "Oldies Dance" on Friday, October 16th, from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills. Music will be provided by a D.J.

Bring your own snacks and your dancing feet. Tickets are \$5 and can be obtained at the door or by contacting Ralph Ruopolo, Jane Knodler, Bill Zielinski, or Dee Nacewicz.

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She will oversee the administrative direction and leadership for the following departments: Nursing, Education, Pharmacy, Clinical Pharmacology, Cardio-Pulmonary/Neuro Services, and Managed Care.

She has had an extensive background in nursing leadership and nursing education positions, and presently serves on the adjunct faculty at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Previously, she served as the director of nursing at Mercy for eight years.

Before joining Mercy, she was an assistant director of nursing at Noble Hospital in Westfield.

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All tickets are only \$9.95 and include all rides, shows, and attractions. Halloween themed decorations will adorn Riverside's Main Street as fortune tellers, ghosts, goblins, magicians, and more entertain in a "hauntingly" fun way!

Each day during "Halloweekends," Riverside will feature a look-alike contest at 6:00 p.m. in the International Dome. All ages are welcome, and everyone has the chance to win cash and prizes by dressing up as their favorite character in the following categories: President, Presidential Candidate, or Christopher Columbus (October 10th, 11th, and 12th); TV Family (October 17th and 18th); Rock Star (October 24th and 25th); and Monster (October 31st).

On October 10th, 17th, and 24th, it will be time for the "Boogie Monsters" to dance the night away when 96 TIC-FM hosts a DJ Dance Party. Special guest "Air Jordon" (from Hartford's hottest dance station, WTIC-FM), will host this "spooktacular" event from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the International Dome. On these three Saturdays, everyone can dance in the park after dark, listen to today's hottest music, and win cool prizes.

Kids can trick-or-treat free in Riverside's safe and fun environment. Every child under 54" tall at Riverside will receive a free trick-or-treat bag and may stroll about the park to pick up their treats and prizes ... with plenty of tricks and surprises along the way!

After a full day of rides, shows, and trick-or-treating, any child in costume can register for Riverside's Costume Contest. Beginning at the Main Street Gazebo at 4:00 p.m., kids will be in their very own costume parade down the Midway to the International Dome for the final judging of the contest.

Three categories—ages five and under, six through 10th, and 11 and over—will offer costumed patrons the chance to win great prizes, including a 1993 Season Pass, stuffed animals, and a "family four-pack" or pair of Riverside day passes. Every child who participates will receive a prize.

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Saturday, October 31st—The last operating day of Riverside Park's 1992 season—is guaranteed to raise some spirits with the park's first Halloween "Fun Run," beginning at 1:00 p.m.

With a \$5 registration fee, children of all ages can enter to run or walk this one-mile event. The \$5 entrance fee to the fun run includes a full-day admission pass (with all rides, shows, and attractions), valid October 31st. To make this event a "hauntingly" good time, Riverside asks all entrants to be in costume.

To top off All Hallow's Eve and one of our biggest and best seasons, Riverside will celebrate with a grand fireworks display, beginning at 9:30 p.m.

Riverside is open Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., and Sundays, 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., thru October 31st, as well as Columbus Day, October 12th, 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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Every family should have a solid understanding of its own tolerance for consumer debt. You do so by limiting debt to a fixed percentage of your household's disposable income ... that is, monthly take-home pay minus taxes and other deductions.

Depending on the stability of your family's income, your stage of life and your cash on hand, this ratio of installments to income should be held to a cautious 10%, though for most families, it's typically 15% to 20%.

The top of the range gets very risky unless you have exceptionally strong job security and lots of life, health and disability income insurance. If your borrowing costs exceed 20% of after-tax income, you are entering the danger zone.

Gauging the amount of debt you can handle and how close you are to your personal debt limit is a simple process ...

1. Add up all of your debt payments. These are the monthly installments you pay on car loans, credit cards, charge accounts, student loans, home-equity loans and all other non-mortgage and non-business debts.

2. Figure out your monthly take-home pay. Get your latest pay stub and multiply the net income amount by the number of pay periods in the year and divide the result by 12 (do not include bonuses, since you can't depend on them). Unless you are living on investment income, exclude your dividends, interest and capital gains, too.

3. Now you can calculate your debt limit. Multiply your take-home pay by 10% if you live on a fixed income, have recently changed jobs or are the only person in your household who is earning an income. Multiply by 20% if your household has two incomes and you are spending a lot to furnish a house.

Do the same if you have enough cash on hand to cover three months of living expenses in an emergency. Multiply by 15% if you seem to fall in between those two outlines.

4. Determine your additional borrowing power. If your debt limit in Step 3 exceeds your current debt payments in Step 1, then the difference is the extra carrying charges you can afford on new debt. If there's a deficit, borrow no more.

Controlling your personal debt is a critical part of personal money management. Over the next several weeks, I will be reviewing several strategies in this column that you can utilize to help you in this important area.

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**Spotlight On Business - continued...****Kodak Race Car At Kinney's 1-Hour Photo**

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## **E. Cecchi Farms Again Wins Advertising Award For DRC Design**

Western Massachusetts was recently represented at the 32nd annual Francis W. Hatch Awards by DRC Design of Feeding Hills.

The Summer, 1991 newspaper campaign created for E. Cecchi Farms captured a Silver in the small space campaign category. The series of ads was designed and copywritten by David Cecchi and features illustrations by Linda Schiwall of Northampton. It highlights the designer's memories of growing up on his family's farm in Feeding Hills.

The Hatch Awards, held on September 16th in Boston, are sponsored by the Advertising Club of Greater Boston, and is one of the most prestigious and rigorous competitions in the country.

The winning campaign was picked from over 1,300 entries and 223 agencies from the six New England states. Among the judges this year were Pat Burnham, Creative Director at Fallon McElligott, and Karen Prince, Art Director at Weiden and Kennedy.

The campaign was honored locally this spring as Best of Show at the 37th annual Merit Awards, sponsored by the Advertising Club of Western Massachusetts, where it also won a Gold in the newspaper campaign category. Individual ads from the campaign won Gold, Silver and Bronze awards in the small space single ad category in the same competition.

*Print* magazine has also included the campaign in its 1992 Regional Design Annual. Other pieces designed by Cecchi selected to appear in the Annual include letterheads for illustrator Linda Schiwall and Elm Industries, a thermoset plastics molder located in West Springfield.

Cecchi took over the advertising for E. Cecchi Farms in 1987, a year after he graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design.

Campaigns for the Farm created by Cecchi have been chosen for Gold awards by the Advertising Club of Western Massachusetts for the past four years. The logos he created for the Farm and for Bobby's Famous Mums have appeared in *Print* magazine's Regional Design Annuals in the past, and the E. Cecchi Farms logo was selected by *Print* magazine to appear in the hardbound *Print's Best Logos and Symbols, Volume 2*.

Cecchi is also an art director at De Witt Anthony in Northampton.

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

### **TOWN OF AGAWAM LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSION**

The Agawam Liquor License Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 13, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, Agawam Police Station, 681 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA to vote on proposal of Sunday openings of Package Stores.

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# For Your Health

## Influenza Clinic At Agawam Senior Center Scheduled Oct. 21st

The Agawam Health Department has scheduled an Influenza Clinic at the Senior Center on Wright Street, for Wednesday, October 21st, 1992, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Influenza vaccine will be administered free of charge to persons 65 years of age and over, or if you have chronic conditions such as: heart disease, asthma, emphysema, bronchitis, chronic kidney disease, or diabetes.

There will also be a clinic at Danahy Schoolhouse on Maple Street on Tuesday, October 27th, 1992, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for residents in that area.

## Family Health Lecture At Bay State Medical

Baystate Medical Center will offer a free lecture on "Family Health, Living Longer ... Better," October 14th from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in honor of Family Health Month.

The one-hour lecture, offered under the auspices of the medical center's Senior Class program, will be held in Auditorium I and II, located in the Centennial Building.

The lecture is open to the general public.

Dr. Philip Gaziano, a Baystate Medical Center Cardiology fellow, will speak about the common problems of aging and how modern medicine can prevent and relieve many ailments related to aging.

To register, call The Professionals at 784-2255, or 1-800-377-HEALTH.

Baystate Medical Center's Senior Class is an ongoing program of lectures and special activities dedicated to the health and wellness of people over 55.

## Hypnotism Can Help Smokers To Quit

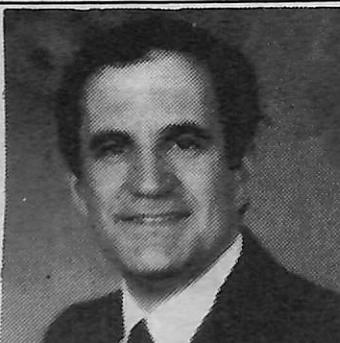
"Forgetting Cigarettes with Hypnotism" will be offered by the education department of Noble Hospital as a way to quit cigarette addiction.

The class will be facilitated by Joseph Barako, director of Education at Noble Hospital and will consist of three sessions to be held on October 15th, 22nd and 29th from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the Education Center on 2 Mill Street, adjacent to the hospital.

For more information, please call the Education Department at Noble Hospital at 568-2811, ext. 529.

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## Influenza Strain Again Will Attack Millions Of Senior Citizens In US

Seven in 10 older Americans are leaving themselves open to a physical assault that could put them flat on their backs, or even kill them.

Influenza, a contagious lung disease which affects more than five million seniors annually, can lead to serious health problems and sometimes death.

Unfortunately, only 30% of those non-institutionalized older adults take the vaccine to ward off this potentially life-threatening disease.

Lung disease is the third leading cause of death in America and flu is a significant reason why. With money raised from our Christmas Seal campaign, the American Lung Association of Massachusetts is mounting a major flu prevention drive this year.

"We want everyone to know that the optimal period to receive a flu shot is between October 15th and November 15th, before the peak of flu season," said Dr. Fred Mudawwar, Program Chairman at the lung association.

"Despite common misconception, the vaccine is safe and does not cause a mild case of influenza," Mudawwar urges the public to call the Lung Association to receive locations and times for flu shot clinics in their city or town.

"No one is naturally immune to the flu," he said. "You could be walking around and passing it on to your friends and family and not even know you have it. The biggest problem is that you are most contagious even before any symptoms arise."

When they finally do appear, symptoms include fever, chills, weakness, loss of appetite, body

aches, sneezing, and coughing. The disease, which starts in the respiratory systems, caused 106.9 million cases in 1990, resulting in 216.9 million sick bed days.

Seniors accounted for 5.7 million cases of the flu in 1990. In Massachusetts, influenza combined with pneumonia killed 2,315 Massachusetts residents (1990).

Besides senior citizens, others at high risk from the flu are those with chronic heart or lung disease, including children with asthma. Health care workers and other employees of hospitals, chronic-care settings, and out-patient facilities who have contact with patients are also at high risk for getting and transmitting the flu.

Those with an allergy to eggs should not take a flu shot since the vaccine is made of inactivated influenza virus derived from eggs.

Others with acute feverish illnesses should not be vaccinated until their symptoms have subsided.

The American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts fights lung disease. Along with its medical section, the Massachusetts Thoracic Society, the Association provides programs of education, community service, advocacy and research.

Its activities are supported by donations to Christmas seals - and other voluntary contributions.

Founded in 1904 to fight tuberculosis, the American Lung Association is the oldest nationwide voluntary health agency in the United States.

## Agawam Counseling Center Sponsoring Support Group For Parents Of Teens

The Agawam Counseling Center is pleased to announce that it will be sponsoring an educational/support group for parents of teenagers.

The focus of the group will be on developing parenting skills and improving parent-child relationships. The program is based on the Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP), a nationwide and successful parent education program.

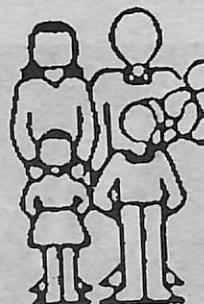
The program will begin at the end of October and will meet on Thursday evenings from 6:30 until 8:00 p.m. There will be six sessions which will be held at the Agawam Counseling Center, 30

Southwick Street, Feeding Hills. The cost of the group will be \$60 for the entire series, or \$11 per session.

Though the program will be oriented towards parents of teenagers, others who are interested are welcome. The sessions will be conducted by Nicole Gillette, a psychologist who is trained and experienced in facilitating this program.

Those who would like to register for the program, please call the Agawam Counseling Center at 786-6410 and ask for Nancy Jessup. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

**PLEASE REMEMBER that our deadline is every Tuesday at noontime. If we can help, please call us at 786-7747 or 786-8137. Our office opens each day at 6:30 a.m. Thank-you very much.**



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## Arts

# This Week At THE MOVIES

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

### **—Hero**

Tall, dark and scuzzy ... short, dark and scuzzy. Two down-and-out drifters with their own codes of honor and dishonor, heroes by chance and choice.

Dustin Hoffman stars as the small-time fence about to be sent up the river, having lost at being a husband, father and crook.



But a funny thing happened on the way to the big house...

Just as his decrepit clunker of a car dies on a bridge, along comes an aircraft in a downward spiral to death.

Just another inconvenience in a bad, bad night, thinks our *Hero*, as he sheds his \$100 shoes to

wade into the river and free dozens of passengers trapped within the body of the plane.

He even rescues a bigtime newswoman (Geena Davis) before disappearing into the night, wearing the only shoe he could find in the aftermath of disaster.

Andy Garcia plays a street person living in a car filled to the brim with recyclables. He hears Hoffman's tale of woe and the two part company.

It's only when a \$1 million reward is offered for the "Angel of Flight 104" that Garcia steps in to take the credit and present the single shoe (left behind by Hoffman) and becomes an overnight inspiration to the masses.

As the tangled web is woven tighter, it becomes a complex and sometimes silly mix of humor, human nature and the ridiculous.

Hoffman has only been scruffier as Rato Rizzo in the long ago *Midnight Cowboy*, and here shuffles his way reluctantly to the wreckage with a "why me?" attitude.

Garcia is good as the misrepresented hero, and Davis as the cold-blooded reporter is more concerned with televisability than humanity as she works her way to the top.

Joan Cusack has a supporting role as Hoffman's misunderstanding former wife.

*Hero* tries hard to present itself as a credible and entertaining film, but no matter how many chuckles it gets at odd moments, it never quite makes it into the satisfaction range. At its best, it is mildly entertaining, but not enough to stand in line for.

### **—Mr. Saturday Night**

*Mr. Saturday Night* has Billy Crystal as the TV/stage comic whose homespun gags catapult him into legendary status, at least in his own mind.

From parlor humor with family and friends to an on-again/off-again career that he somehow always manages to sabotage, Crystal works hard to recreate the life of a wannabe, sometimes-was star with aplomb, wit and humor, aging from twenties to seventies as the life story of a star unfolds.

But the scene stealer through it all is David Paymer as his brother, manager, mentor and friend; a staunchly loyal go-for who never gets



the star, usually saves the job and never gets the girl.

As *Mr. Saturday Night*, Crystal created a portrait of an egocentric, self-centered and often cruel man whose insecurities were masked by the blinding stage lights, wreaking havoc on those he loves backstage and on the town.

Paymer's underplayed scenes, however, tell more with far fewer words, and his performance is worth a supporting actor nod at Oscar time.

Not a four-star film, but a very healthy three.

## Lou Rawls Guest Of Springfield Symphony

The Springfield Symphony Orchestra debuts the 1992/93 pops music series with vocal superstar Lou Rawls at Springfield Symphony Hall for two Halloween weekend performances: Saturday, October 31st at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 1st at 3:00 p.m.

Conducted by Maestro Raymond Harvey, the Springfield Symphony will open with music of Duke Ellington and Andrew Lloyd Webber, then Lou Rawls will join them for some of his greatest hits, including *Love is a Hurting Thing*, and *You'll Never Find (Another Love Like Mine)*.

These concerts are sponsored by Budweiser (Saturday) and Balise Lexus (Sunday).

Lou Rawls started out at a young age as a gospel singer in a church choir in Chicago. During his childhood, he was also influenced by great rhythm and blues performers at Chicago's Regal Theatre, such as B.B. King and Billy Eckstein.

Growing up with friends like Sam Cooke, Curtis Mayfield, members of the Dells, and many other popular bands of the '60s, Rawls eventually phased from gospel into jazz, soul, blues and popular music.

Since the release of his first album in 1962, Lou Rawls has gone on to win four Grammy Awards and numerous award nominations, as well as one platinum and four gold records. His album "When The Night Comes," featuring the hit single "Wind Beneath My Wings," achieved the unique honor of traveling with the first black astronaut in space, Lt. Col. Guion Bluford, who took it with him on a 1983 Space Shuttle voyage!

In addition to his successful career as a vocalist, Lou Rawls is a corporate spokesman for Anheuser Busch. With their sponsorship and support, he has raised millions of dollars for the United Negro College Fund through the Lou Rawls' Parade of Stars telethon and the Lou Rawls' Celebrity Golf Tournament.

He is also the singing voice of cartoon star Garfield, appearing on the Garfield television specials.

The first part of the evening's concert features the Springfield Symphony Orchestra performing popular music favorites such as *Lullaby of Broadway*, *Forty-Second Street* and selections from Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Phantom of the Opera*.

Lou Rawls will then join the orchestra and sing a selection of hits like *Tobacco Road*, *Lady Love*,

and *Unforgettable*.

Tickets for Lou Rawls on Saturday, October 31st range in price from \$5 to \$30, and for Sunday, November 1st range from \$5 to \$28.

They are available at the Springfield Symphony Box Office located on the mezzanine level of Baystate West in Springfield. Tickets may be

charged by phone at (413) 733-2291. Group, senior, and student discounts are also available.

Springfield Symphony concerts are funded in part by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Business Friends of the Arts.

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## Community Theatre Review... After Slow Start Encore Players New Show Rolls

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

The Encore Players opened their '92-'93 season last weekend with Neil Simon's *The Last of the Red Hot Lovers*, a play with a tepid opening act that turned to hilarity in the second scene and a bit of sentimentality in the closing act.

It's a trilogy of sorts, chronicling the amorous hopes of fifty-something Barney Cashman (Arnie Woods), a married businessman who has decided it's time for a romantic fling.

His first effort at seduction takes him to his mother's home, where he meticulously brings his own booze, new glasses from Bloomingdales, and not a little insecurity about the main attraction.

The attraction comes in the seductive, calculating, and obviously experienced Elaine Navazio (Carol Palmer), who prances into mama's house in boots, thigh-high skirt, and fake furs ... making no secret of the fact that such assignations have already been a part of her past.

But the mix between Woods and Palmer—each good in their respective roles—never quite catches fire.

Learning from the first set of mistakes, Cashman then invites a babbling, sweet young thing to mama's house, and in steps Jennifer Brown as Bobbi Michele, a long-haired ding-a-ling whose incessant chatter is more conducive to suicide than seduction. She barges on stage in a flurry of motion and words, and from that point the show steps into high gear, carried in great part by the burst of energy Brown brings to the stage. It's a force that energizes the balance of the production.

In the final act, our older but wiser would-be lothario asks a long-time female friend for a date, and Jeannette Fisher (Connie Lind) arrives in a flustered flurry of movement, clutching her handbag as if it were her lifeline.

*The Last of the Red Hot Lovers* is not Simon's best work, nor is it the best from the Encore Players. But under the able direction of Jean Burns, the players present viewers with a credible—and more often than not—very funny rendition of a mid-life crisis.

The show runs through October 11th at the MacDuffie School in Springfield. For ticket information, call 533-6720.

## Contra Dance Set At Storowton Village

On October 17th, at 7:00 p.m., Storowton Village Museum will present an old fashioned "Contra Dance," an evening of contra dancing, music, food and merrymaking, in the Red Barn.

Storowton's "Contra Dance" offers the opportunity to learn and perform the jovial dances of a bygone era, including a 19th century village.

A fee of \$25 per person includes dance instruction, refreshments and the price of a meal including tax and tip. The meal will be served in Storowton Tavern.

Individuals and couples, either experienced in contra dancing or curious to learn, are welcome.

There are only 20 spaces available for Storowton's "Contra Dance," so make your reservation early by contacting Dennis Picard, Storowton Village Museum program coordinator, weekdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at (413) 787-0136.

Storowton Village Museum is located on the grounds of Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield.

## Children's Museum Open On Holiday

The Children's Museum, 444 Dwight Street, Holyoke will be open Columbus Day, Monday, October 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Museum provides a unique setting in which children and adults learn together about the world around them.

Through participatory exhibits, children discover by experimenting, learn by playing and express themselves by creating.

Best Local News

## Agawam Community Artists Group Plan To Meet October 14th At Ag. Library

The Agawam Community Artists (A.C.A.) will meet on Wednesday, October 14th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library's Community Room.

A demonstration on painting with water colors will be shared by a fellow artist, John Wiley, Jr. John has over 30 years of experience in his field, and since 1985 has devoted his talent exclusively to his favorite medium, water color.

Also on display at the Agawam Public Library for the month of October by the A.C.A.:

Judith Anderson, paintings on canvas and slate; Patricia Bertone-Gross, basketry; Sylvia R. Deliso, fiber weaving; Randall W. Parker, exhibits on wall gallery drawings and paintings, small to giant (seven other pieces can be seen at Caffine's Restaurant, Memorial Avenue, West Springfield).

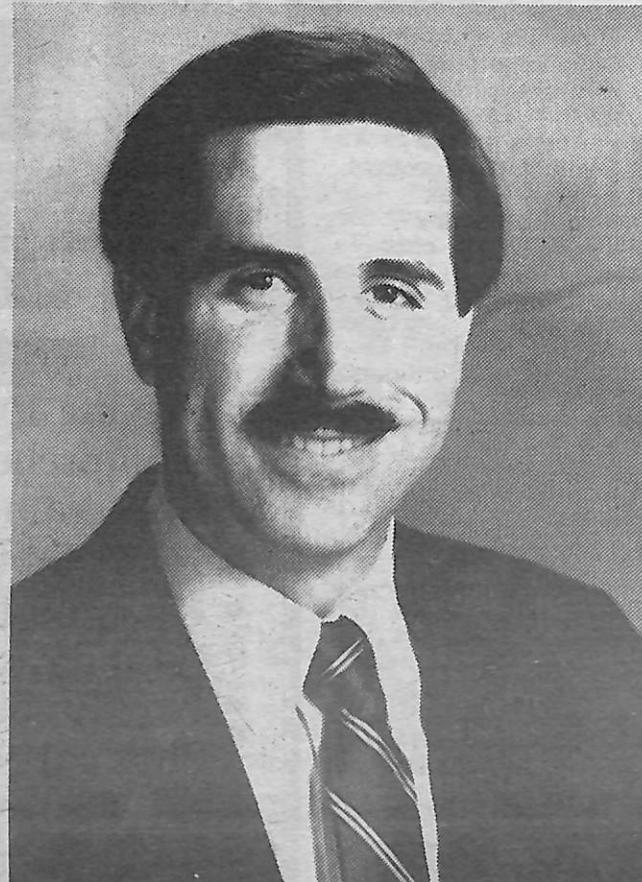
Beverly Secondo-Wands, exhibiting her most recent Southwestern design stained glass creation, "Thunderstorm," and unique, one-of-a-kind costume jewelry; Nancy "Rainbow" Shaer, exhibiting her art and craft of her Cherokee/Irish heritage—her most recent "full-circle" book of Native American spirituality, *Billy Frog Adventures* (supported in part by a grant received from the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council); Native American design fans using feathers and plants, the art of making "good-medicine" salves from plants, and preservation by drying of plants and photography.

Anyone wishing to become a member of A.C.A. or for further information, contact Beverly Secondo-Wands at (413) 786-0138.

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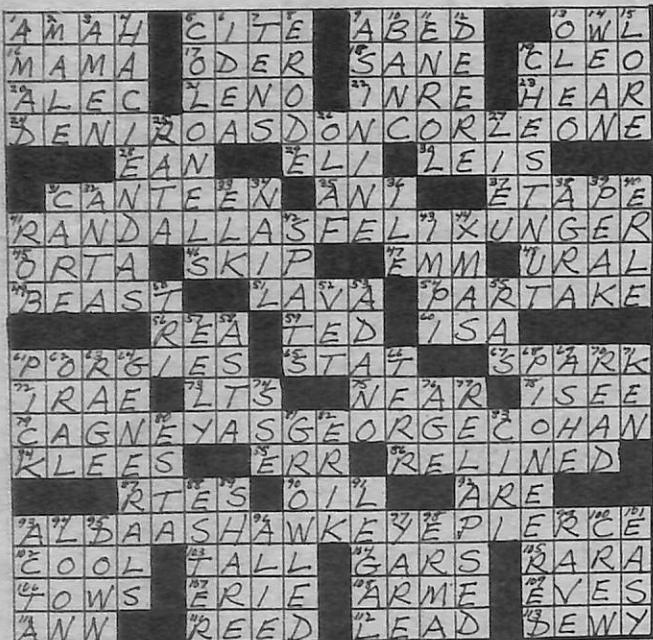


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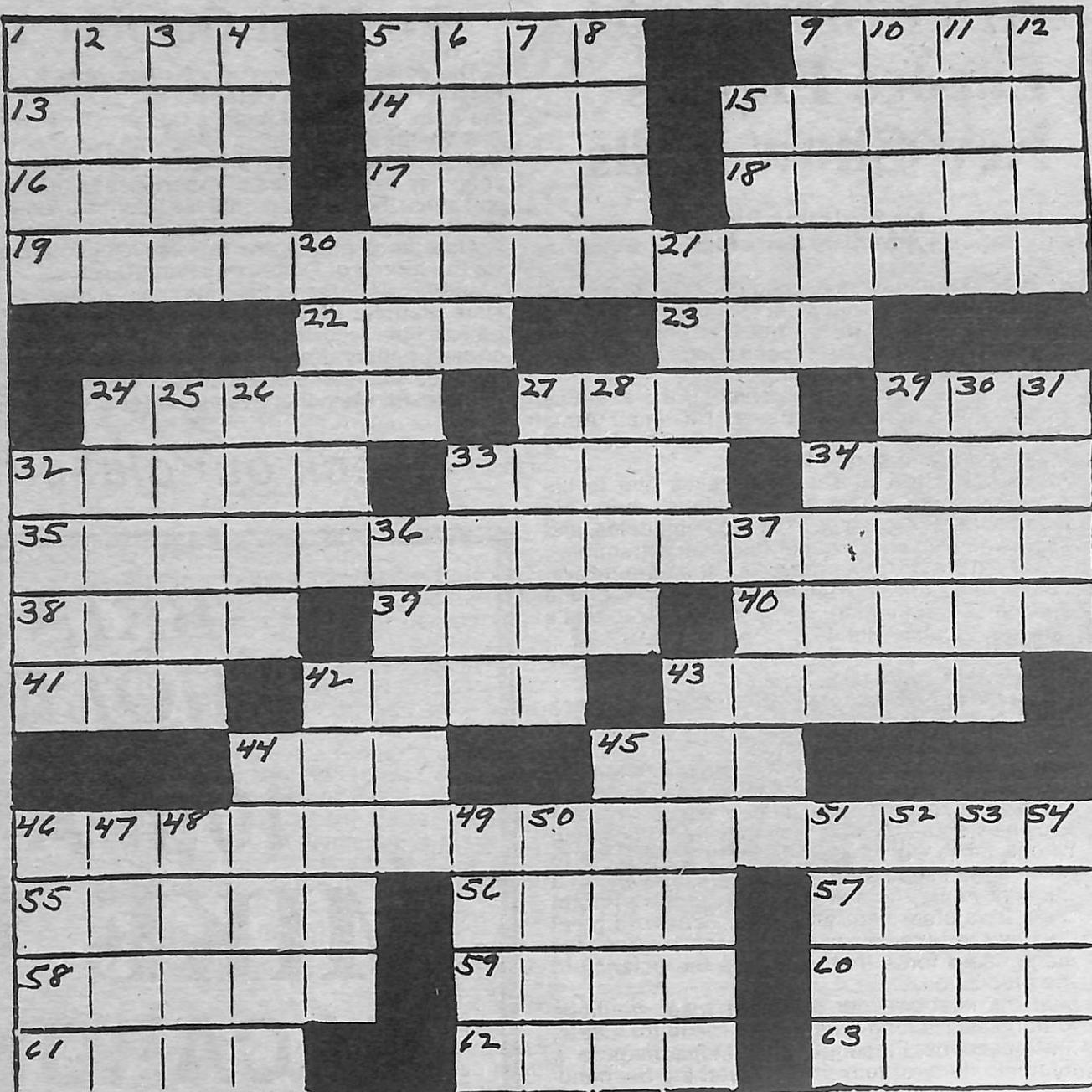


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22 Gypsy gent  
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24 Language group  
27 "It's — a long..."  
29 Cleo's killer  
32 Tidal area  
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35 Cooking instruction  
38 Equal  
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40 Overwhelming wins  
41 Curvy letter  
42 The way out  
43 One of the seven dwarfs  
44 Before (prefix)  
45 Dickens' nickname  
46 Seldom  
55 Actress Black  
56 Mexican jumper?  
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8 German mister  
9 Novelist Philip et al  
10 Poker game start  
11 Sound of laughter  
12 Winter vehicle  
15 Claw  
20 Poetry muse  
21 Varnish resin  
24 Top of the liners  
25 Fairground events  
26 Bel. river  
27 French cap  
28 Squirmish things  
29 Play the fool  
30 Like sea water  
31 Levers  
32 "— with" (handle)  
33 Actress Garr  
34 Look for bargains  
36 Foxy type  
37 Feed in the range  
42 Actress Moran et al  
43 "Baskerville" animals?  
44 Fuel items  
45 Make like a stentor  
46 Soup vegetable  
47 "Hit the — on the head"  
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# Education



**BEAUTIFYING THE COURTYARD** at Agawam High School recently were, from left - faculty member James White, Jenni Manfredi, Jeannette Bilodeau, Maria Ferrentino, Dan Bell, and faculty member Pat Bertone-Gross, advisor to the group S.A.V.E. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Students Beautify AHS Courtyard

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

A group of Agawam High School students and teachers spent a windy fall day raking and planting flowers in the outside courtyard located in the center of their school facility last Thursday (October 1st).

The clean-up project began after AHS teacher Pat Bertone-Gross talked with a newly-formed group, S.A.V.E. (Students Against Violating the Environment), about clearing out the area so that it could be utilized for the students.

However, after talking with AHS teacher James White, other students began to get involved and the project has become school-wide.

Cecchi's Farms donated 12 pots of chrysanthemums to help beautify the area, and AHS mathematics teacher and advisor Beverly Pasternak added that the Math Club had donated \$30 for the purchase of flowers.

Mrs. Bertone-Gross originally made a suggestion that the courtyard could be used as part of the new Renaissance program's student privileges, and the idea has really taken off.

White would like to "resurrect" his Elizabethan Banquet from about 1985, and hold it out in the courtyard. He said, "I'm hoping we can also utilize this area to celebrate all the yearly festivals; Santa may even pay a visit."

He added, "I'd like to construct a tepee for the Mohawk Warriors" (and it was difficult to decide whether or not he was serious).

Mrs. Bertone-Gross noted, "We are trying to get other departments involved in this project. We asked the Industrial Arts Department if they could make picnic tables so that the area could be used during lunch periods, but they needed funds to purchase the wood.

"We also are suggesting that different classes or groups could donate benches, such as the kind you see in parks, and they could have their class

year engraved on it."

She added that teacher Margo Poulin suggested using the courtyard after theatre and Show Choir performances as well.

Mrs. Bertone-Gross said, "Anyone that wishes to donate anything for the area can contact me at AHS, 789-1400, extension 421. They can leave a message at the office, and I will get back in touch with them."

### Teachers And Students Working Together

Environmental science teacher Sharon Kiddy worked alongside students by digging a trough for planting the donated flowers. She said, "I explained this project to my students and suggested they come and help out after school. I do see at least one of my students here today."

Foreign language chairwoman Melanie Poudrier was busy planning a color scheme for the plants around the trees, and gave students an example of "hands on" as she shoveled leaves into a trash bag.

Science teachers Everett Talmadge and Richard Joseph stopped by to offer their encouragement, and everyone seemed to be excited about the new project's development in spite of the biting fall cold.

One student noticed a fuzzy brown creature moving among the leaves she raked, and exclaimed that she had found a mole!

Mrs. Bertone-Gross corrected, "It's not a mole, it's a vole. These animals have eyes and a shorter snout than the mole, although they do tunnel."

She added, "There is a part of the ground down in the back part of the courtyard where the voles have so many tunnels, the ground sinks when you walk on it. I guess we will be sharing our environment with the voles."

Everyone joked, "Perhaps the voles can become the AHS Brownies' new mascot!"



JOELLA RAIQUE

## Joella Raiche Named As Young Violinist

Joella Raiche, a 12 year-old violinist and a student at Agawam Junior High School, was recently accepted in the "Young People's Philharmonic." Her private teachers are Jo Manning and Andrew Verrocchi.

Joella's parents are Joseph and Laura Raiche. Her paternal grandparents are Joseph and Lillian M. Raiche; her maternal grandmother is Maryrose Losito Cicotte.

## Keeping Kids Safe When Home Alone

Being home to greet your child after school may not always be possible. However, a parent can make the best of the situation by teaching a child how to be safe when they are home alone.

Laurie Germano, of the Safety Council of Western Massachusetts, suggests the following guidelines to teach your child:

— Introduce your child to a neighbor who will be the child's "special neighbor." Tell your child to call or go to this neighbor if there are any problems.

— Familiarize your child with emergency telephone numbers, including a number where a parent can be reached.

— Teach your child how to phone for help. Post your home phone number and address with directions to your home so your child can call for help in an emergency. Remind your children not to hang up until the operator has all the information.

— Answering the phone or door also is important. Children should never tell a phone caller that their parents are not home. They should never open the door for anyone unless they know the person.

— Review fire safety. Your child should know a home fire escape plan.

— Role play with your children, talking out different situations they may encounter.

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AGAWAM HIGH SENIOR Angela Baggetta received a personal letter from sci-fi writer Ray Bradbury. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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The uniform should be on a hanger with an envelope pinned to it stating size, selling price, name, address, and phone number.

You may also bring recent additions of Girl Scout handbooks—Daisy, Brownie, Junior, or Cadette.

Parents of new Girl Scouts or old Girl Scouts changing program levels are welcome to stop by and see what's available.

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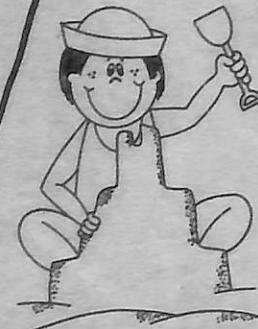
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## Aspiring Writer At Agawam High Receives Some Sound Advice From Ray Bradbury

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

Agawam High School senior Angela Baggetta noticed a book entitled *Something Wicked This Way Comes* by science fiction author Ray Bradbury one day in the Agawam Public Library.

She decided to read the book, and enjoyed it so much she wrote a letter to its author through the publishing company.

In return, Angela received a signed letter and an autographed picture from Ray Bradbury, himself.

She said, "I wrote to him asking for advice on writing, and he elaborated in a four-page letter. Out of all the writers I know, he and Kurt Vonnegut are the best. They come up with a really weird phrase, but you know exactly what they are saying."

Some examples of the way Bradbury worded his advice to Angela about how to pursue her desire to write are quoted from his letter below.

#### Words Of Wisdom And Experience

Bradbury wrote, "Begin writing at 12 and fall in love with all the arts ... if possible, keep your eyes wide and your mouth shut."

He continued, "Write every day ... because you are so full of things you want to say you can't stop."

Talk of the fullness in life and the things around each of us daily were part of his encouragement; and the pursuit of happiness was expressed by Bradbury, saying, "Unless he pursues the shadow show with enthusiasm, joy, and passion, he cannot win the day or know himself."

So "in love" with life and the sharing of its treasures through his writings is Bradbury, he claims, "Writers should stay away from college (and instead), beat the hell out of a typewriter."

He adds, "The best school is the library for 15 years or so ... and the college of the world lies awaiting."

Bradbury writes the scripts for a television series entitled *The Ray Bradbury Theatre*, as well as publishing books.

Angela is a member of the student newspaper, MIRROR, and writes for the literary publication UNICORN at AHS. One of her selected poems was published in a statewide newspaper called *The 21st Century* in February 1992.

According to *The 21st Century* editors, John and Stephanie Meyer, "The monthly paper was started with a belief that teenagers needed a nonrestrictive forum to express their thoughts, whether through writing fiction, nonfiction, poetry, news stories or movie and music reviews, or taking photographs."

Students receive \$10 for published entries, and the paper reaches more than 10,000 teenagers in 385 high schools throughout Massachusetts and New England.

Angela concluded, "I would like to write books. I am planning to major in journalism in college, and I would like to try writing books after that."

## "Seize Today For Healthy Children" Theme Of National School Lunch Week

"Seize Today For Healthy Children" is the theme for National School Lunch Week, October 12th through 16th, 1992.

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in Agawam will have a certain number of plates marked on the bottom. Any student receiving a marked plate will receive a free lunch that day.

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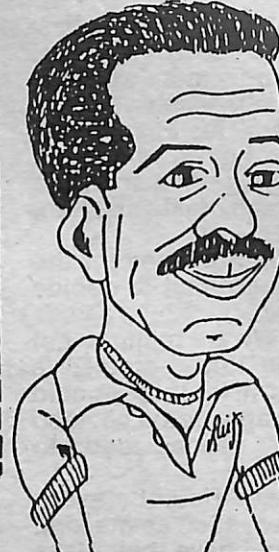
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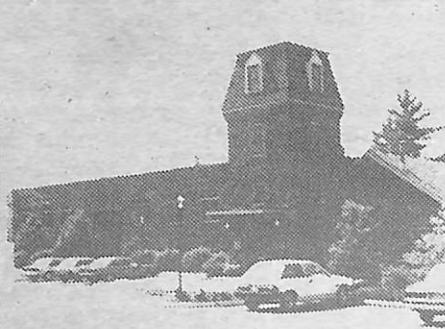
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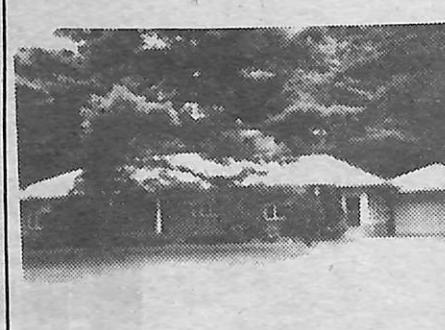
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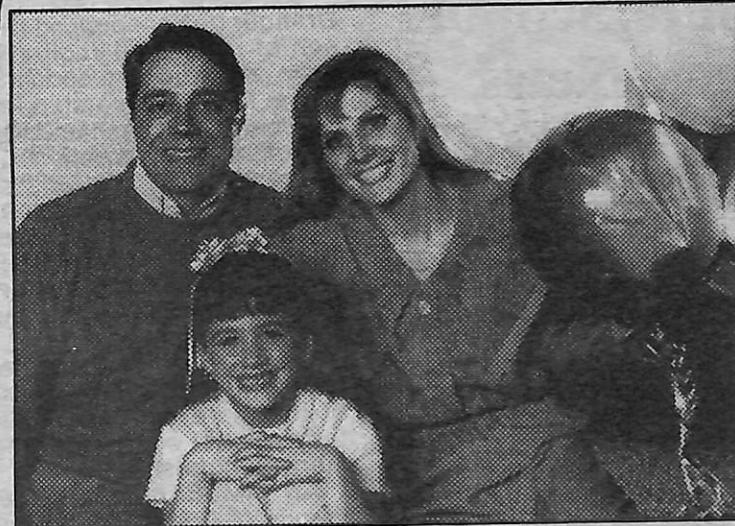
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**Wednesday, October 14th:** Filet of chicken sandwich in roll, raw carrot curls, lettuce/tomato/mayonnaise, school baked peanut butter cookies, milk.

**Thursday, October 15th:** Toasted pepperoni & cheese sandwich in roll, tomato sauce topping, seasoned green beans and carrot blend, fresh Mac apple, milk.

**Friday, October 16th:** Oven baked sea nuggets, tartar sauce or catsup, niblet corn, whipped potatoes, wheat bread & butter, strawberry jello with topping, milk.

(NOTE: Please remember to purchase your tickets on Mondays for the week. Personal checks are accepted, payable to the Agawam School Lunch.)

## Ag. Middle School Guidance News

by Thomas F. Dacey  
Middle School Guidance Counselor

The Middle School guidance counselors wish parents to know that special reports for poor academic progress and other problems during the first marking period will be issued on or about October 9th.

The counselors urge parents of students who receive a special report to work with their child and the school to address any difficulties before report cards come out at the end of the first term. Parents are welcome to call the guidance office and consult with a counselor at any time. Most problems can be resolved if action is taken early in the year.

The coed intramural sports program is now underway at the Middle School. Competition is between homeroom teams, and games are played after school. Transportation home is provided by means of the regular late busses.

The fifth grade students play soccer under the direction of Mrs. Leslie Martel, and the sixth grade students play flag football under the supervision of Mr. Phil Blizzard.

## Local Students Attain Providence Dean's List

Two area students have been named to the Dean's List at Providence College for the spring semester, 1992.

Named to the Honors list were Kenneth Cornwall and Lawrence Sheehan of Agawam.

To attain the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.250 or higher cumulative average, with no grade lower than 'C.' A grade of 'B' at the college is equal to a 3.0.

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## Granger School 1992-93 PTO Officers



OFFICERS FOR THE GRANGER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO for 1992-93 are, from left - Cheryl Panek, vice-president; Barry Ward, president; Judy Lavin, secretary; and Nancy Melbourne, treasurer. Missing: Robin Gottardi, vice-president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Kevin Hebert Named Commended Student At Cathedral

Cathedral High School Principal Sr. Denise Granger has announced that Kevin M. Hebert, the son of Bruce and Judith Hebert of Agawam, has been named Commended Student in the 1993 National Merit Scholarship Program.

A Letter of Commendation from National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the program, will be presented by the school to Hebert.

About 35,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being honored for their outstanding performance on the 1991 Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, which was the route of entry to the 1993 Merit Program.

Commended students have shown exceptional academic promise by placing among the top 5% of the more than one million entrants, although they will not continue in the 1993 competition for Merit Scholarships.

An NMSC official stated, "The high performance of Commended Students in the extremely competitive Merit Program and the school's important contribution to the development of these scholastically talented youth deserve public recognition."

"We hope the honor these students have earned will encourage them to take advantage of their opportunities for higher education and will serve as an example for other aspiring young men and women. Our nation will benefit from the fullest development of this intellectual resource."

### Christine L. Molloy Elected Secretary Of UMass. Nurses Asso.

Christine J. Molloy, daughter of Jeanne and Dennis Molloy of Tom Street, Feeding Hills, was elected secretary of the Student Nurses' Association at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst earlier this year.

The Student Nurses' Association is a recognized student organization at the University, founded in 1982 for the purpose of promoting nursing and the University's School of Nursing.

The SNA also sponsors a community outreach program that conducts services such as blood pressure screenings and, in conjunction with the Red Cross, blood drives.

Molloy is serving her second consecutive year as secretary and her duties include fundraising and helping to coordinate community activities.

A member of the Class of 1993 at the University, she graduated from Agawam High School in 1989.

### David R. Campbell Member Of Hartwick Frosh Class

David R. Campbell is a member of the freshman class at Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York. Campbell is the son of Marianne and Robert D. Campbell of Agawam.

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## Early Childhood Program Tuition - from Page 1...

She explained that in 1990 one of her children was diagnosed with a brain tumor and since then, "Special Ed. has become an intricate part of our lives."

### "...Open The Lines Of Communication"

Mrs. Barry said, "I urge the School Committee, educators, and all parents to collectively come together to open the lines of communication regarding this issue of Special Education by way of a panel or task force to work together for a better understanding with Special Education in our community."

Former Town Council President Donald Rheault expressed concerns over the board's policies and procedures, as well as its actions during the special meeting of July 14th.

Rheault said after reading the minutes of that meeting, he telephoned several School Committee members for an interpretation of the board's policy to set up a fee for ECP role models with a revolving account for collected tuition. Rheault said he was told "a policy is set by having three readings and then a vote on it."

He noted, "Then there really isn't a policy established for this fee (for role model students in the ECP)," and concluded, "I would hope that you would rescind your vote on this policy for a fee; excuse me, the fee without a policy."

Current Town Councilor Louis Russo also chastised the board's proceedings during the July 14th meeting, saying, "Tonight people offered good ideas that should have been listened to prior to the decision to approve this. Unfortunately, all those summer meetings were special meetings. Citizens weren't allowed to speak out on any subjects."

Russo also questioned why, with such an important issue, the September 29th meeting was not being televised on cable.

Special Ed. Director Dr. John Brosnan defended the ECP in Agawam, stating, "It is not required to have role models in our program."

He noted, "The Agawam staff was chosen with Boston, Cambridge, Lynn, and three other towns to collect data to enhance the ECP throughout the state." Money for this will come from a competitive grant of 351 communities, and Agawam will receive about \$20,000.

Brosnan also distributed a letter dated July 23rd that was mailed to parents of role model students. The letter explained that the first tuition fee would be due August 15th for September. He denied there was any "start-up fee" as the program (ECP) was already in existence.

School Committee member Louis Massoia then motioned to rescind the July 14th vote to institute tuition, and member Roberta Doering seconded

the motion.

However, member Susan Pettazzoni called for a point of order to clarify the purpose of the motion. Mrs. Doering retracted her second, saying it was not her intention to rescind the vote, but to reconsider it. The motion to rescind died on the floor.

### Pros And Cons Of Collecting Tuition

A discussion ensued as to the pros and cons of collecting tuition. Vice Chairwoman Teresa Kozloski (who was absent during the original July 14th vote) said, "You have to have a valid reason and spell it out specifically so you will not have this sort of thing going on."

Member Louise David made a motion to amend the vote to delay the institution of the fee until January 1st, and to refund payments already made.

The board argued the point of refunding payments already accepted, and Mrs. Doering motioned for another amendment to hold payments made to date to apply to future payments. This was defeated, and Mrs. David's amendment finally passed on a 6-1 vote.

Mrs. Kozloski asked that this issue be brought up again for discussion at the first meeting in November.

Mrs. Pettazzoni explained, "If nothing is done between now and January 1st, the fee will begin at that time. However, a rescinding vote could be brought forth during the November discussion."

Mrs. Kozloski asked that a detailed list of why this fee should be implemented be included in their November board packets.

### Some Supporters For The Fee

Clark parents Frank and Cindy Lawlor and PTO President Dee Circosta-Aspinall all spoke in support of the fee during Citizens Speak.

Mrs. Aspinall suggested that "James Clark School should have a weighted portion" of the collected money since they housed the ECP. She likened the classes to "another two grades in your other elementary schools."

Lawlor questioned why "the town is subsidizing the cost of role model students" and said he fully supported the fee. He added, "It is time to demand that if the state mandates a program, then the state pays for that program."

Resident Jody Baum, another Clark School parent, suggested, "Give this pilot a chance as it was originally proposed."

School Committee member Linda Galarneau said that the board should not deny the opportunity to bring in revenue for school programs.

As the dissenting vote to the amendment to delay tuition, she added, "I strongly disagree that we should delay payment and return money because of problems which have already been worked out."



**BUS EVACUATION** was held recently at Phelps Elementary School under the supervision of Safety Officer Al Longhi. Students in photo are Nicole Doura and John Decaro. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Four Town Residents Enter Bay Path As Members Of Freshman Class

Four local residents, all graduates of Agawam High School, have entered Bay Path College as members of the freshman class.

Dawn Smelstor, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Joseph J. Smelstor III of Fernwood Drive, Agawam, is enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Program leading to the associate in science degree.

Lisa Munro, daughter of Mrs. Noreen Mussel/White of Paul Revere Drive, Feeding Hills and Paul Munro of Whitney Avenue, is enrolled in

the Fashion Merchandising and Retail Management Program leading to the associate in science degree.

Tara Brittain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brittain of Granger Drive, Feeding Hills, is enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Program leading to the associate in science degree.

Jennifer Vinesett, daughter of Mrs. Kathy Vinesett of Pheasant Hill Drive, and Michael Vinesett of King Street, is enrolled in the Legal Secretary Program leading to the associate in science degree.

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# Sports

Holyoke Prevails, 22-16...

## LAST SECOND TD AGAIN FOILS AHS FOOTBALL

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Had Agawam High School been undefeated prior to its game at Holyoke last Friday night, this game might have been talked about for years to come.

AHS caught a lot of early breaks and dominated much of the contest, but a 23-yard TD strike from Matt Gubala to Junito Rodriguez with just 10 seconds to play gave the Purple Knights a thrilling 22-16 victory.

Many members of the Agawam team would have been in line for a game ball in this one. Instead, they had to sit near their lockers and try to sort out a sour 0-3 start to this 1992 campaign.

The last nine minutes of the football game gave gamblers everywhere all the reasons they would ever need to stop betting on football games. This contest took every turn imaginable and wasn't settled until Rodriguez somehow slithered between deep double coverage to snare the victory away from the deserving kids from Agawam.

As the third quarter expired, the Brownies were leading by a tenuous 9-7 score and Holyoke had possession at its own 35. On the first play from scrimmage in the fourth quarter, Gubala hit his brother, Mark, with a strike (in stride) along the right hashmark and Mark Gubala took it to paydirt on a 65-yard catch and run.

Agawam's Dan Moriarty seemed to make a fine play breaking up the two point conversion attempt as he dove and deflected a pass near the right pylon. But, the zebras saw it otherwise, and Holyoke was given another chance from a yard closer. Raoul Diaz powered it in and the Purple Knights had their first lead of the game at 15-9.

Agawam got the ball back, but were unable to move it. Holyoke had all the momentum as Todd Chamberlain lined up to punt. The ball travelled very high out toward midfield and bounced back toward the Agawam side of the field.

### Agawam Seizes Opportunity

Before you could whine about not getting any breaks, a Holyoke return man jumped in between two Brownies and tried to field the ball. He muffed it and Tommy Briggs fell on it, giving Agawam another chance with 8:45 to play. This time, they seized the opportunity.

Jason Votzakis pounded the ball for a first down to the 26 on the first series. Moriarty, the quarterback, converted a fourth and 11 when he rolled to his left and then reversed his field and snuck it down to the 16.

Votzakis appeared to be heading to paydirt on first down, but just as he got to the corner on the left side, Diaz pulled him down by the shoulder pad. Moriarty fumbled the ball on the next play but it rolled out of bounds at the 15.

With 4:15 to play, Moriarty again rolled right, but this time he pulled up and threw a touchdown pass to the wide open Brian Pelligrino in the end zone to tie the ballgame. Brian Anderson calmly whacked the point through the uprights and the Brownies led it 16-15.

The kickoff produced a terrible disappointment for Brownie supporters. After holding Cedric Washington and Rodriguez in check all night long, Washington broke the kickoff for a long gainer. He caught it at the 17 and went to his left. He tiptoed through the traffic and then cut it back against the grain, and finally was run out at the Agawam 28-yard line.

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Gubala had shown a great leg on his only extra point try and the field goal spelled doom for the Brownies as the game clock wound down. John Bussinger powered for a first down on two quick carries that took a minute off the clock. Washington hit a hole that was filled, jumped to the next one and burst to the 12. Bussinger got two more cracks and the Knights were at the Brownie 3.

Nearly the whole crowd was behind the end zone by that time, waiting for Holyoke to win it with a goal line smash. On third and goal from the one, the Brownies dug in and got their ultimate wish. Chris Benjamin hit a hole untouched and wallop the ballcarrier just as the exchange was taking place. Nick Langone hopped on the loose ball, and you would have thought the Brownies had won the Super Bowl. What drama!

### Brownies Try To Run Out Clock

With only 1:30 to play, the Brownies took over at their two yard line, trying to run out the clock. The problem was that Holyoke had two time outs to take, and they used them wisely.

Moriarty hopped behind the left side of the line on consecutive plays and moved the pile forward, picking up a yard or two on each carry.

On third down, the Brownie power went to the right and appeared to be going places. But, the blocking broke down late and Votzakis got stacked up. Chamberlain dropped back in punt formation with only one thought in mind. He had to get it away because a safety would have meant the ballgame.

The snap was true and the Purple Knights came like gangbusters. Chamberlain took a step to his right and got out a high spinning kick toward the right sideline. The ball bounced and was picked up (alertly this time) by Washington and he headed to the 23, where he was tackled with 32 ticks left.

The first play produced an incompleteness on the left sideline. But, the second play will loom large in the heads of the Brownie defensive backfield for a long, long time.

With everybody and the kitchen sink back in deep coverage, Rodriguez angled for the left corner of the end zone. Tom Briggs and Bob Kunkel were back there, but Gubala had a small opening and he threaded it perfectly.

With his shoulders squared, Rodriguez went up and made a surehanded grab over his head and fell to the turf as the Brownies deflated. There was but 10 seconds showing on the clock behind that very end zone.

The Brownies had jumped to a 9-0 lead early as they capitalized on several early breaks. The defense played marvelous football led by Marcus Trinchini and Langone.

On its second possession, Holyoke's Diaz fumbled on the first play of the drive and Brian King recovered for Agawam at the Holyoke 26. Tommy Briggs and Votzakis combined for a first down on the ground that brought it to the 14. The next series produced nothing. But the result was just fine when Brian Anderson strode onto the field and banged a 35-yard field goal for the 3-0 lead.

With 3:52 to go in the half, King pounced on another fumble at the Holyoke 39 and the Brownies got another chance to capitalize—and they did. Christian Paluck was interfered with on a third and 10 pass play at the Purple Knight 29 yard line.

Nathan Wooley caught a button hook pass at the 19 for another first down and Briggs went in motion and snared a beauty from Moriarty for another first down at seven.

From there, Votzakis motored home from the five on a sweep left. The PAT seemed to hit the same man who hiked it, but the Brownies had a 9-0 lead.

Holyoke got on the board with 5:00 to play in the third, when Tony Brown caught a TD pass on a little flip pass into the right flat. He sped down the sideline, making the Brownies miss on a 43-yard jaunt.

Again, big TD plans plagued AHS.

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## AHS Soccer Plays Powerful Ludlow Tough In 2-0 Loss

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

At no time during the contest did Agawam High School look outclassed in any way against perennial powerhouse Ludlow High in the boys' soccer match at Agawam on Tuesday night.

The Brownies matched the Lions opportunity for opportunity all night long, but still came up on the short end of the stick, 2-0 in a season that is fast becoming another frustrating one for Agawam.

Derek Poole (who has been on a marvelous run lately from his fullback slot) played another fine game, and he nearly gave the good-sized crowd a chance to get into the game early when he moved up quickly on an Agawam offensive burst and bashed a backpass off the right upright of the Ludlow goalposts.

Coach Dick Cowles installed a wicked offsides trap designed to slow down the Lion front line, and it foiled many early Lion attempts. With the Brownie backline communicating at an excellent high volume, it wasn't uncommon to see five or six Brownies running like the devil toward midfield and Ludlow trying to keep up with them as they ran away from their offensive goal.

Todd Boskiewicz also had a dandy of a game on defense, and he made a big play breaking up Frank Fortune as the high flyer was moving quickly on right wing.

### AHS Holds Its Own On Offense

Offensively, the Brownies were no slouches on the night either. Ryan Willett moved very well up front and early in the game he nearly sent Joe Willis down the slot unattended, but the play was broken up by a quick Ludlow backliner.

Dave Zielinski returned from injury to give the Brownies more depth, agility, and speed on the forward line, and he was involved in a play that almost put the Brownies on the board first, too. He made the first touch on an indirect kick, and Willis bombed one that sailed just wide right.

Jimmy Goodreau got the eventual game-winning goal at 25:12 when he whacked one past first-half goalkeeper Scott Bleau from 20 yards out.

Once they had the lead, Ludlow carried the play for a while as the first half settled into a midfield affair with the Lions getting the rare chances that did occur.

John O'Brien sent a few indirect kicks from far out into the slot, but the Ludlow defense was able to steer them away before the Agawam forwards could get to them.

### The Game Was Over With 3:35 Left

The crusher came with 3:35 to go in the game when Paul Marta nailed a perfect crossing pass to Fortune, who sailed in one-on-one with Bleau and one-timed one low into the left corner.

Willett got off a high, dangerous drive in the second half's opening minute. The ball hit the top half of keeper Pete Karalekas' hands, but he controlled it and got it out of there quickly.

Jud Graham, in the Agawam net in the second half, made a nice hustling play to break up a corner soon after, and most of the Brownie highlights of the second half came from their defensive troops, including fine plays by Boskiewicz, Poole, Paul Klisiewicz, and Matt Loubier.

Willis and Luis Savina got quality opportunities late in the game, and Loubier's roundhouse left-footer from straight in front at 4:36 might have been their best chance of the night.

## THE POINT AFTER...

# Despite Loss To Purple Knights, Many Brownies Enjoy Fine Game

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Maybe you had to be there to fully appreciate this one, but this little article must start with this quote overhead on the Holyoke sideline. A high school boy was pleading with a girl at halftime, saying, "C'mon. I'm not the same loser that I used to be."

Brian King was involved in many of the big plays in the ballgame. He recovered a first quarter fumble that led to the Brownie field goal by Brian Anderson. He recovered a second quarter fumble that led to a Brownie TD run by Jason Votzakis. And, he was whistled for roughing the punt kicker on a huge play in the first Holyoke touchdown drive.

Dan McCarthy had just hurried quarterback Matt Gubala with an outstanding pass rush causing a high poorly thrown ball on third down, forcing the Knights to give it back to Agawam. Gubala dropped back to punt and the Brownies came after him. They might not have had a lot of "Punt Block" in their preparation during the week, but they certainly started coming when they saw how high and wobbly the snaps were from the long snapper early in the ballgame.

Sure enough, another flyball came back at Gubala and King (who nearly blocked one earlier) came sailing in. Ultimately, he would land on the plant foot of the kicker and the yellow flag fell. The Brownie coaching staff, led by Dean Vecchiarelli (head coach) and Eric Lunden (defensive coordinator), vociferously protested the call, but Holyoke got another chance and quickly cashed it in for a TD.

Big call for Vecchiarelli with a two point lead late in the third quarter. Moriarty had just hit Nathan Wooley with a 49-yard strike on the left sideline and the Brownies were in the red zone at the Holyoke 11. Three plays got them to the six, but Agawam didn't bring in Anderson for the three and elected to go with a pass over the middle intended for Briggs that went incomplete. My call would have been to take the three for a variety of reasons. Anderson had already hit one earlier and it could serve to heighten his confidence down the road. Holyoke would now need a TD to take the lead.

You know, Brian Pellegrino had to be shaking in his boots when he saw Moriarty's perfect spiral coming toward him in the end zone for the tying touchdown with less than five minutes to play. The junior was so wide open that it wasn't even funny and he just got his hands out away from his body and guided that ball to his chest.

**Agawam Tries To Hold Lead**  
After that series, both squads picked up another touchdown and Agawam still had its skinny lead to protect late in the ballgame. Had it gotten that additional three earlier, Holyoke would not have been able to position itself for the short field goal on the series where it ultimately fumbled at the goal line. Nor would it have been able to think about winning with a field goal on the final series.

But, it sure has been a long time since Agawam has had a legitimate field goal threat. One source told me that the locals haven't had a field goal since 1987, when John Serra booted a couple of them.

Todd Chamberlain looked solid in the punt game last week as his first two were 50 and 47 yards. Legit, too. Plus, as a fullback, he might be a good candidate for a fake on those 4th and 1 or 2 out near midfield.

Dan Moriarty seemed to throw every pass on a string in the first half of the ballgame. If it wasn't completed in the first half, it should have been because Dan was right on target almost every time ... Earlier in the season, we learned that some of the team (if not all) calls Brian Anderson "Morten" after the fine New Orleans Saints placekicker with the same surname. Now, he is out there sporting white shoes for his kicks. "Morten White Shoes Anderson." Naw ...

Dana Fuller and Joe Iaruso did nice work on the right side of the offensive line on Friday night ... The Brownies entered the fray focusing on the speed and misdirection of the fleet-footed Holyoke backs, but the linebackers and linemen read the plays beautifully and ultimately shut down that portion of the Purple Knight package all together.

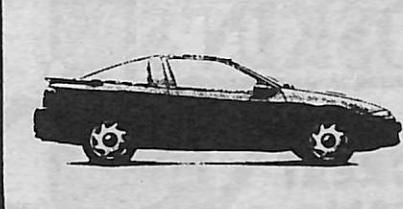
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Nice work, kid. Big play ...

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## Agawam High 1992 Freshmen Girls' Soccer



**MEMBERS OF THE 1992 Agawam High freshmen girls' soccer team.** Back row, from left - Melissa Laflamme, Janelle Erskine, Cara Rust, Stephanie Biza, Jamie Thomas, Kamaris Lessard, Adrienne O'Quinn, Danielle Petrangelo, and Coach Michele Kaboray. Front row - Kristin Tierney, Kara McDade, Kristin Pettazzoni, Tracie Jacaprarro, Katie Reynolds, Meaghan Moriarty, and Nicole Boyer. *Advertiser News*

photo by Jack Devine.

*AHS Girls' Soccer Back On Track...*

### DeMarco's Five Goals Lead AHS Past EL

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam High girls' soccer is starting to get it cranked up again.

After stubbing their undefeated toes two games in a row with losses against West Springfield and Cathedral two weeks ago, the Brownie offensive machine is starting to purr louder and louder. And the defense is quickly catching up, too.

Sophomore Dina DeMarco, the new left wing of the Brownies, was the star of the show again as she pumped home five goals in the process of demolishing the Spartans of East Longmeadow High by an 8-1 score at Harmon Smith Field on Monday afternoon.

Coach Bill O'Brien's crew took the field against the wind in the first half and dominated the first 25 minutes with some powerful offense and a more alert defense.

Nicole DeCosmo was in the middle of things early as the junior right wing pumped a couple of big shots on and over the cage in the game's first five minutes. Ultimately, she would hit a cross to teammate DeMarco, and Dina softly headed home Nicole's pass for a 1-0 lead.

The defense was tested once or twice during the same span. But senior netminder Kim Trudel easily turned away the Spartans' weak shots. Alison Reseigne, playing at sweeper, showed excellent speed and instincts as she steered away a couple of developing Spartan opportunities.

Kristin Schmaelzle moved to stopper from her original sweeper position, and took full advantage of being closer to the offensive goal by turning her "0" up a notch or two. It was due to her great hustle that the second Agawam goal occurred.

She swiped the ball from one Spartan and dribbled through and around two others. She laid the ball out for DeCosmo, who fed senior Stephanie Mason in the middle. Stephanie drifted out to the right side and brought the goalkeeper out of the cage. Once the keeper was out, Mason rifled one into the left corner for the 2-0 lead with 32:20 to go.

#### Double Digits For The Brownies?

It looked like the Brownies might be heading for double digits when Shauna Nacewicz made one of the best throw-ins seen around here in a while. She cleared the defender's head by five feet on left wing, and DeMarco was off to the races.

She boogied down the left side ahead of everybody and cut toward the cage. DeMarco squared herself and then rocketed a right footer to the goalie's right. The keeper got her mitt on it, but it was too hot to handle and it ricocheted into the top left corner.

It remained that way until the half, although the Spartans came roaring back against the second line Brownies. Trudel made some beautiful saves in goal in the final 18 minutes of the first half.

After a long rest, the Brownies took the field in the second half against a determined Spartan squad. East Longmeadow got one goal back when the midfielder on the left side punched one high over Trudel's head from 22 yards away. The ball appeared to be sailing over the cage when the wind dropped it just over the line and into the far corner, cutting the deficit to 3-1.

#### Dina's Blitzkrieg

With 31:50 still to play in the game, it was time

for a DeMarco blitzkrieg. In less than four minutes, she collected her third, fourth, and fifth scores of the game and, more importantly, had given her team a five-goal lead.

The first two were simply defensive breakdowns of one kind or another. DeMarco simply cruised down left wing (uncontested) and scored easily against the East Longmeadow keeper. No contest.

**SEE GIRLS SOCCER - Page 39...**

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Secondly, the club hosts two after-school programs called MIGHTY MITES (ages eight to 11) and FIT KIDS (ages 12 to 15). The two programs concentrate on a structured schedule that includes games, activities, movement exercises, swimming, basketball, and usage of the cardiovascular machines and equipment (for 12 to 15 year-olds only) in the Fitness Center.

Both programs coincide with the school-year calendar, and pre-registration is essential as space is limited to 12 children per group. The fee is only \$15/month for members and \$20/month for non-members. Parents do not have to be on the premises for children to work out.

Finally, for our racquetball enthusiasts, the club is offering a FREE six-week racquetball clinic beginning Thursday, October 8th, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The mission of this clinic is to introduce all young members and their guests to the benefits and enjoyment of the racquet sport.

The first 30 minutes will be a group lesson, with the kids learning different techniques and basic fundamentals of the sport. They will then pair up to compete with one another for the final hours.

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## **GIRLS' SOCCER - from Page 38...**

Her fifth goal came when Mason rushed in and beat the sweeper as she unloaded a drive. The ball drew a beeline to the left post and conked it hard. DeMarco chased down the rebound and slammed it right back into the nets.

Mason and DeMarco had a couple of close calls while the subs were waiting to report, but they couldn't notch another one. Instead, the shock troops came on and scored two goals of their own.

Lisa Messenger and Courtnie Hyland added late goals to make the deficit even larger for the Spartans. Reseigne played a fine game (which should add to her confidence), and April Rapa and Nacewicz played well at fullbacks.

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## Poulos' Goal Helps Brownie Field Hockey Nip West Side, 1-0

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Night action at Harmon Smith Field in Agawam has not always been that good for the Brownies this season. Prior to this past Monday night, only the girls' soccer team's 6-1 conquest of Wahconah had been in the good pile.

Yet, on the first day of this work week, Cindy Grieve's field hockey team took the field and burst up and down the field (repeatedly) before finally getting the game-winning goal with 5:40 to play in the second half against the West Springfield High Terriers.

Agawam "owned" the game as they constantly stickhandled the ball into the Terrier zone and peppered the goalkeeper with shots. Time after time they were turned away, until Katie Poulos smacked one into the back of the cage with only a handful of minutes to play.

The Brownies often had four or five players in the circle, and the Terriers were scrambling for their offensive lives as Rose Pignatari, Jen Goodfellow, Ann Maklary, Beth McNamee, Poulos, and others poked at and reached for the ball in those wild onslaughts.

In their first game of the season against Northampton, Agawam had a similar offensive show come up empty. The Brownies ultimately paid the price when the Blue Devils scored late in the game to eke out a 1-0 game.

The Brownies got a penalty shot at the 25:41 mark of the second half, but McNamee was whistled for hitting the ball twice and it was blown dead before she could try and beat the Terrier netminder.

Following that, West Springfield had its lone rush of the second half as the ballcarrier broke down the center of the field and bore in on the Agawam net. The onrushing Agawam defense and the speed the attacker was travelling caused the play to break down, and the Terriers never again threatened in the Agawam zone.

The home team galloped seemingly uncontested into the West Side defensive circle and began to bear down again, but the shot whistled wide to the left and right.

Finally, West Springfield's luck ran out as Poulos knocked home the game winner.

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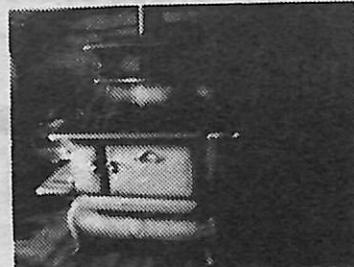
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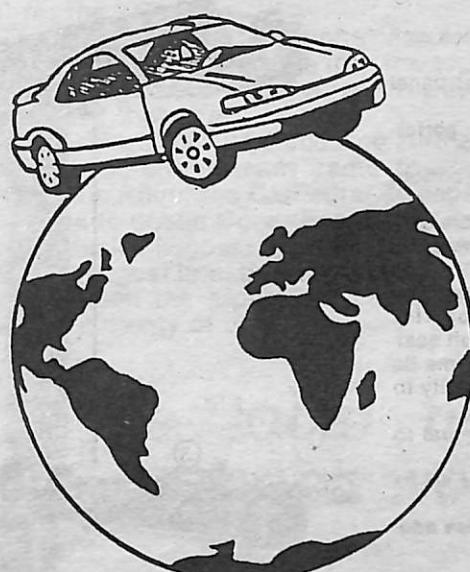
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## Ag. Youth Grid Teams Take 4th Win At Ware

Both the Junior and Senior Agawam Youth Football teams chalked up win number four when they traveled to Ware on October 4th.

The Junior game started out with a scoreless first quarter. In the second quarter, the Warriors took possession on their own 49 yard line. In four plays the offense sustained a 51-yard drive. Mike Buoniconti ran the last two yards up the middle for an Agawam touchdown. Buoniconti also ran in for the extra two points on a quarterback keeper.

The Warrior offense accumulated 192 yards rushing in this game. Mike Buoniconti was the big yard gainer, with 109 yards on 12 carries. Jason Sirois gained 37 yards on four carries, and is credited with drive-sustaining runs late in the game to allow Agawam to retain possession. Other ball carriers were Matt Slattery, Vin Buoniconti, Shawn Blebel, and Mark Engleman, who all picked up additional yardage.

With Agawam up 8-0 at the half, the third and fourth quarters turned into a defensive battle. The Junior defense dug in to stop Ware from scoring. Leading this strong effort was Jeremiah Graves with six tackles and three assists. Matt Slattery had four tackles and two assists. Mike Buoniconti, Vin Buoniconti, Bob Fuller, Matt Guillemette, and Brian St. Jean all contributed to limit Ware to a total of 60 yards gained.

Ware was further hampered with four lost fumbles. Warrior players making fumble recoveries were Mike Blevins, Jeremiah Graves, Matt Slattery, and Vin Buoniconti.

At the final whistle, the Junior Warriors retained their 8-0 advantage to beat Ware. This is the third time in four games that the Juniors have held their opponents scoreless, and have given up only one touchdown since the season started.

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The Senior Warriors took over the field to play their own brand of football. This match-up proved to be another blistering offensive attack by Agawam, totaling an impressive 257 yards gained.

The Warriors struck quickly on their first possession. Starting at midfield, they mounted a seven-play drive that culminated with Jared Chianciola slanting in off left guard for the first touchdown. Phil McGeoghan went in for the extra points.

Ware's first possession was stopped abruptly on the second play from scrimmage. Kevin Perreault intercepted a pass and returned it to Ware's 27-yard line. On Agawam's first offensive play,

McGeoghan passed to Chris Bednarzyk. Bednarzyk threaded his way through several Ware defenders to score a second Warrior TD. Chianciola added the extra points.

In the second quarter, the only offensive drive resulted in a third TD. The 79-yard drive was capped with a Bednarzyk burst up the middle for the final eight yards. Chianciola once again added the two extra points. The score at halftime was Agawam 24 and Ware 0.

Ware scored its only touchdown of the game in the third quarter. After Ware had been pinned in its own territory, they faked a punt and managed a 37-yard gain. This play gave Ware excellent field position and allowed them to punch in to the end zone.

However, the Senior Warriors stormed back on the next offensive series. Behind the "Orange Crush" offensive line, the Warriors moved the ball 74 yards in only five plays to score the fourth TD. Jared Chianciola, having a big game, ran 24 yards right up the middle for the score. Kevin Perreault blasted in for the successful conversion attempt.

The fifth and final Agawam TD was scored by Eric Melbourne on a one-yard quarterback keeper. Vin Tirone did a reverse around left end for the extra points.

Jared Chianciola, a talented running back, was responsible for 113 rushing yards on 12 carries. Chris Bednarzyk, who is adept at breaking tackles, got 96 yards on 7 carries.

The Senior defense did its job very well, holding Ware to one TD and a game total of 61 yards gained on 28 plays. Kevin Perreault had a strong performance with five tackles and one interception. Many players contributed to the defense in this game, notably Joe Yacteen, Bryan Menard, Don Hanna, Norm Gagne, Scott Campion, and Eric Melbourne. Jeremy Brosseau gave Agawam possession by recovering a Ware fumble.

This game was dominated by the Warriors, who continue to show skill, teamwork, and precise execution. The final score of this contest was Agawam 40, Ware 8.

The Agawam Warriors will play next Saturday, October 10th, in Northampton. They will play this game under the lights, with the Junior game starting at 5:30 p.m. and the Senior game to follow.

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# Agawam High 1992 Junior Varsity Soccer



MEMBERS OF THE 1992 Agawam High junior varsity soccer team. Back row, from left - Coach Glenn Olsen, Ryan Harlin, Joe Scherpa, D.J. Rapacki, Matt Bryant, Todd Boskiewicz, Aaron Hill, Brian Boyer, Bob Burke, and Pat Arnold. FRONT ROW - Joe Willis, Corey Chianciola, Jay Eisenbeiser, Sean Meagher, Paul Arnold, Derek Poole, and Brian Chechile. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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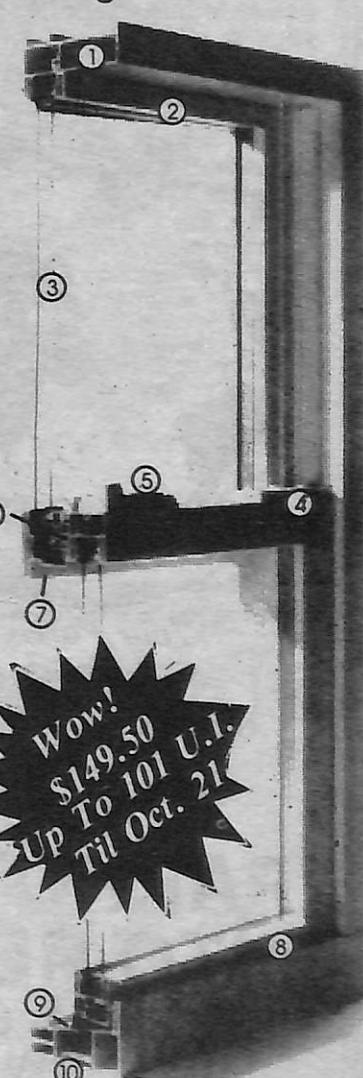
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# Brownie Booters Give Panthers Good Battle

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Early in the match, it appeared as if the Agawam High boys' soccer team had turned the corner last Wednesday night (Sept. 30th) while entertaining the Panthers of Cathedral.

They stormed through midfield constantly and beat the Cathedral kids to the ball. They were playing "big" in the process.

Still, the Panthers got a "funny" goal early and then took advantage of two big defensive lapses in a two-minute span later in the half as they dropped AHS, 3-0 at Harmon Smith Field. The Brownies played their best soccer of the season.

With just two minutes gone, Cathedral was trying to do some offensive business in the left corner. The ball was crossed to the front of the cage and Jeff Montagna drilled a bad angle shot toward Jud Graham in the goal. Graham got a whole bunch of his hand on the shot as he dove backwards with his left mitt.

But, the ball squirted through and rolled into the nets for a 1-0 Panthers' lead.

Agawam got some nice pressure from midfielders and forwards following that. Scott Rapacki, John O'Brien and Luis Savina started weaving through traffic and making some good things happen. They turned it up another notch when Joe Willis entered the game and started flying up and down left wing like a guy looking for a starting assignment somewhere along the line.

Mike Knodler got a big left foot on the ball following a Willis push up the left side. But, the shot went well left of the upright. Paul Klisiewicz also played a fine two way game for the Brownies.

#### Sophomore Defenseman Shines

Despite the loss, the Brownies' best player on Wednesday night might well have been hardworking, undersized Derek Poole. The sophomore defenseman was all over Harmon Smith Field making intelligent decisions and seemed to play his man head-to-head all night.

He snuffed a few big time scoring opportunities and ran stride for stride (cutting down angles) against the speedy Cathedral front wall. Todd Boskiewicz and Adam Tebaldi also made their presence felt defensively with some fine work.

An ill-advised back pass was saved by Graham with 13:55 to play in the first half as Panther Brian Graves steamed in, hoping for an easy goal. Three minutes later, the locals were not nearly as lucky.

Rapacki, who can boom the ball off the turf as well as any kid in Western Mass., mis-hit a goal kick and it rolled right out to Bryan Brown. One quick cross to Montagna and Graham was looking down Montagna's gun sights again. He had no chance as Montagna drilled it home from 12 yards out for the 2-0 lead.

Two minutes later, Montagna completed his hat trick when he creamed one into the top right corner for the 3-0 advantage. Agawam was never the same after that goal.

The second half produced no further scoring. The closest either team came to scoring was when Marc Atkin, the Cathedral Sweeper, popped one back to goalie Corey Romboletti, and it eluded the senior keeper. The ball rolled harmlessly toward the goal line, but never came close to getting between the pipes as Romboletti pounced upon it in plenty of time.

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## Baseball Free Agent Market Stacked

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Tuned into a most interesting new "sports talk" show on television the other night upon the advice of a good friend. Does anybody remember the wise-cracking, silly sportscaster MIKE ADAMS from Channel 3 in Hartford? He is now part of the "New England News" staff on your basic cable television package.

The station is primarily focused on developing more in-depth coverage of the news that affects the Northeast, but Adams is on each weekday night with a zany look at the sports day. The show airs at 11:00 and it might be a nice, easy replacement for "Baseball Tonight," which (of course) is on its last legs.

Friday night was particularly noteworthy when Adams and friends play sports trivia. If you stump him, he has to eat a gumball. If he gets a red one, you get a box of donuts or some other silly prize.

Stumped him myself last Friday night. Methinks you'll really enjoy it...

*SPORT Magazine* was reaching a bit, but they put together a thought process that really intrigued me in this month's issue. Their contention is that expansion baseball teams don't necessarily have to be horrible out of the chute.

Through the expansion draft, a series of drafts, and a wide-open checkbook, the Colorado Rockies or the Florida Marlins could actually field this club next year:

DAVID CONE, DOUG DRABEK, GREG MAD-DUX, GREG SWINDELL, and CHRIS BOSIO, TOM HENKE, and TODD WORRELL as pitchers; TERRY STEINBACH or BENITO SANTIAGO as catchers; MARK MCGWIRE or PAUL MOLITOR as first base; LOU WHITAKER or HAROLD REYNOLDS at second; OZZIE SMITH at short; WADE BOGGS or CARNEY LANSFORD at third; and outfielders such as JOE CARTER, RUBEN SIERRA, BARRY BONDS, KIRBY PUCKETT, and ERIC DAVIS.

It's not really as farfetched as it sounds because all of the players are available, and you would think that both of these squads have plenty of opening capital and the studies seemed to prove that the fans would come out to the park. They'll come out even more if they win...

Whaddya think the bookies might have given you for odds on a Phoenix Cardinals win over the Redskins once Washington jumped off to a 17-0

lead?

Phoenix came back to pin a 27-24 upset on the Super Bowl champs that had the Cardinal coach JOE BUGEL crying with tears of joy at the press conference after the ballgame...

Is Miami for real in the NFL after that big win over the Bills at Rich Stadium? Nope, they'll get dumped this weekend by the Falcons at Joe Robbie.

You heard it here first. Philly is going to take a tumble in Kansas City, too...

Man, those New York Rangers can breathe easier now that ALEXEI KOVALEV is in the fold...

Where have you gone, ROMAN GABRIEL? If you had been paying close attention, you would know that he is now the General Manager of the Charlotte Rage in the Arena Football League.

He was my first quarterback hero. That was until I got a chance to see DARRYL LAMONICA play for the Raiders. He ought to be taking some snaps these days with what he is seeing go behind center for the Silver and Black these days.

Even though that is my favorite squad, watch for TODD MARINOVICH to continue to do his crash-and-burn act before being replaced late this season. That guy just doesn't have it.

He can't throw it deep without a whole bunch of air under it, and he makes very poor decisions when throwing into the middle of the field. He is young and all, but it isn't like his offensive line or his own mobility is going to allow him to get better while learning on the job...

In case you missed it because of a lack of interest in baseball's waning days, it was JUAN GONZALEZ who got hot with the big stick last, and his 43 homers beat out MARK MCGWIRE for the AL homer championship...

MAGIC JOHNSON'S popularity stock seemed to be at an all-time low in the circles I travel these days. It's been a long time since I've commented on a salary story, but this one is ridiculous.

The Magic Man now makes nearly twice as much as the entire Cleveland Indians team, which now includes superstar-caliber players like ALBERT BELLE, CARLOS BAERGA, and JAMES LOFTON. I thought I was supposed to mellow when I got a little older...

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# Sportsmen's Corner

— By Bill Chiba —



## Around The Hunting World

The antlerless lobby numbers selected by computer on September 30th by the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife have been tabulated and the last number of your license selected. The lucky hunters will be hearing in the near future about their selection.

Zone 1—winners are 5, 7, 6, 0, 4, and 2, with 123 out of 557 selected in the partial.

Zone 2—is number 5, of which 325 out of 327 were selected.

Zone 3—2, 9, 4, 6, 1, 8, and 3, with 94 out of 300 winning the partial.

Zone 4—winners are 1, with 0 a partial winner, 526 of 593 selected.

Zone 5—3, 0, and 6, with 46 of 477 winning the partial selection.

Zone 6—6, 0, 8, 5, 4, and 3 as a partial with 76 of 324 selected.

Zone 7—8, 7, 6, 0, 4, and 9 partial, 22 of 243 selected.

Zone 8—5, 2, 8, and 7 partial, 202 of 420 selected.

### Bear Explosion

Mild winters, abundance of food, and the fact that the bear season was removed from the deer season, account for the bear explosion population in Massachusetts. Sounds good when you digest the facts lightly.

However, when you take an in-depth search, you get a feeling (like I have) that the increased deer population is going to cause serious problems.

Already the farmers in the western part of the state are up in arms over the crop damage the animals are causing. A farmer north of here became so disgusted with the damage to two of

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his fields of corn, that he shot two bears before the season; one happened to be a cub.

This fact didn't set too well with the Division. After the season started, three bears invaded his beautiful fields and decimated them. He can't win.

Now, this story that I'm going to relate happened last Saturday morning and points out my second concern about the number of bear running in our woods. The bear habitat is shrinking due to the rash building of homes and second homes in the rural sections of our mountains and woodlands.

As a result, the bear is losing his fear of man, and man better start to fear bear instead of thinking they are cute and must be fed.

At the Agawam Bowmen monthly meeting this past Monday night, a member told this factual story about a bowhunter that is lucky to be alive.

Agawam Bowmen members have been bowhunting the MDC in Connecticut, just over the line in Tolland. I have been hunting the area for over 20 years.

This past Saturday morning, a bowhunter from Westfield (I was unable to get his name, for Ron Eggleston, the storyteller, couldn't remember it) arrived before light and started to walk into his stand.

He stopped several times on his way in because he thought he could hear somebody or something following him. When he reached his stand, the light was clearer and he looked back on his trail.

A large black bear was following him with its nose to the ground. They spotted each other about the same time, and the bear charged the surprised hunter, who dropped his bow and scrambled up the tree to his stand.

The bear followed the hunter, and the only thing that stopped him was the stand. He couldn't climb over it.

The bear ripped his boots several times with his mouth—the hunter said that although he kicked the bear with all his strength several times, it didn't faze the animal. All the time the hunter was hollering for help, there were other hunters in the area, for their cars and trucks were parked outside of the gate.

Tiny Thompson of Southwick was in his tree stand, east of the battling bowhunter, and Bob Shoemaker of Agawam was west of the fracas. Both of them said that they could hear the hollering but could not make out what was being said.

Bob said, "I thought that somebody had shot a deer and was calling for his buddy to give him a hand" (I have heard similar calls while hunting), so it was a natural assumption.

When it continued for a long time, Tiny dropped out of his tree and was heading west for a look-see. In the meantime, three Agawam Bowmen members pulled up in their truck and started to walk in.

They answered the frightened hunter up in the tree. He told them the situation and they started towards him. The bear heard the approaching hunters, he dropped out of the tree, and then started towards them.

The threatened hunter in the tree warned them and they took off. I haven't been able to contact them before my deadline, but I will get the rest of this drama.

The treed hunter dropped out of his stand and made a roundabout getaway to his truck and headed home.

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It is well-documented that the black bear is the cause of most of the confrontations between humans and bears. They are very unpredictable and should be treated as so. They are wild animals.

Why would this bear track this hunter and try to destroy him? I can only guess. Bowhunters either drag a scent rag or attach pads on the bottom of their boots, and scent it with buck lure or doe in rut lure.

Now, this bear could have been following a drag line or boot scent and it infuriated him. Secondly, and not so farfetched, the bear could have been infected with rabies. We now have it documented that raccoons are carrying the disease in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

A diseased raccoon will attack and bite an animal, no matter what size it is. It is not beyond reason to assume that this could have happened.

Thirdly, the bear could have been a sow with cubs in the area, and was protecting her offspring.

The bowhunter is left at a disadvantage when this happens. Discussing what a bowhunter could do to protect himself—seeing that he cannot carry a gun legally when bowhunting—Bob Shoemaker came up with the idea that a bowhunter should carry mace.

A face full of mace would have stopped that bear in his efforts.

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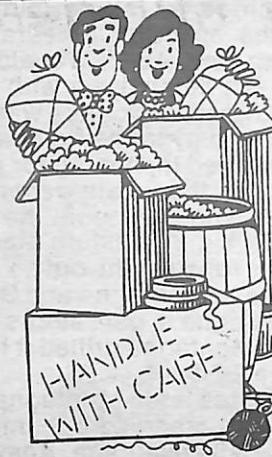
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## Don Zimmer's Bad Rap With Red Sox Certainly Is Not One That He Will Ever Deserve!!!

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

**Don Zimmer**  
c/o Boston Red Sox  
Fenway Park  
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Dear Don,

You are truly one of baseball's treats. I've known for most of the season that you were not planning on being back with the Sox, and I want to wish you well in whatever you do.

I remember how many things were blamed on you after the collapse in 1978, even though I was watching that particular pennant race from the Midwest. I also am aware of the surge that your team made for you and for this region to force that fateful playoff game. That night (October 1st, 1978) had to be one of the most difficult nights of your life (not to mention mine).

I moved out here to Boston in 1979, and I remember your tearful goodbye when you left Boston. I remember feeling sad for you, but I also remember you answering a question about how you would like to be remembered. You said something to the effect "that you wanted people to remember that you were a guy who didn't like to bunt ... etc., etc."

I was young and idealistic in those days, and I recall that I thought that you were a crusty old veteran who would never get a job because of the outcome in 1978 with that great ballclub.

But, what a fantastic comeback for you when you took the reins for the Cubs. You might have ranked as one of the most unpredictable and cunning managers around. Nobody could figure out the Cubs in those days, and you seemed to push the right buttons every time they were on national T.V. I loved the Cubs when I lived out that way, and so I always rooted for them when I watched them years later.

Do you remember when a Boston sportswriter wrote that "Don Zimmer was blamed for

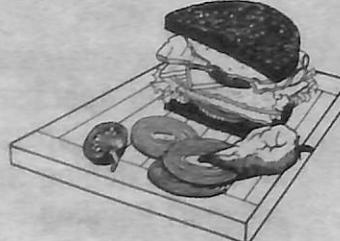
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everything that went wrong in New England after September of 1978. He was even blamed for right turn on red!" You sure left a legacy.

I was very happy for you when you came back onboard to help Butch Hobson through his first year at the wheel. It must have been an excruciating summer for you, sitting on that bench while all those miserable things happened.

It was kind of a dead summer. There would have been nothing like an awesome Red Sox season to shake up this New England recession. It certainly wasn't meant to be.

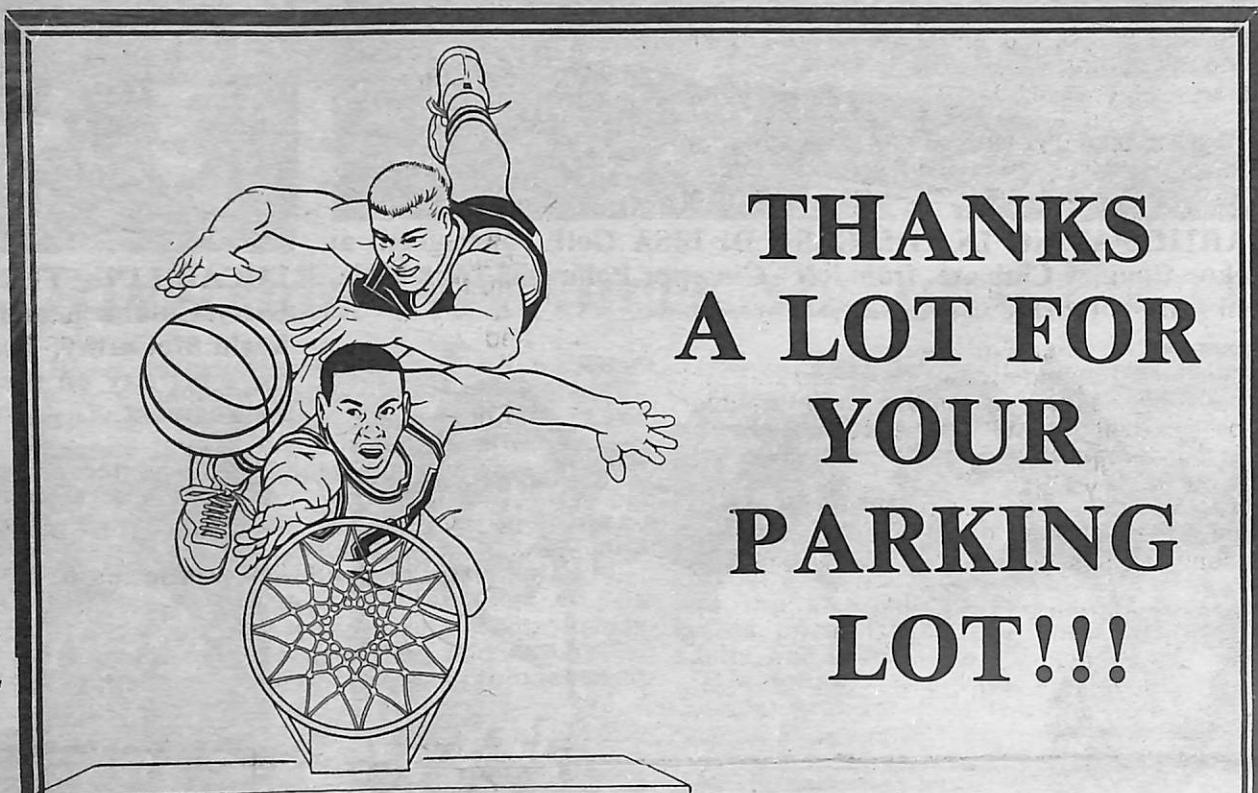
As always when I write these letters (and I write one every week), I ask that you send me an autographed picture of you. I will not sell it; I will keep it in my sports room at my house.

Thanks, Don—and good luck.

Sincerely,  
Bob Johnson

(P.S.: Hey Don, don't you think you should have benched Butch Hobson because of those elbow chips in September? Jack Brohammer could have been a Hall of Famer, don't you think? I figured no letter to you would be complete without this afterthought, eh?...)

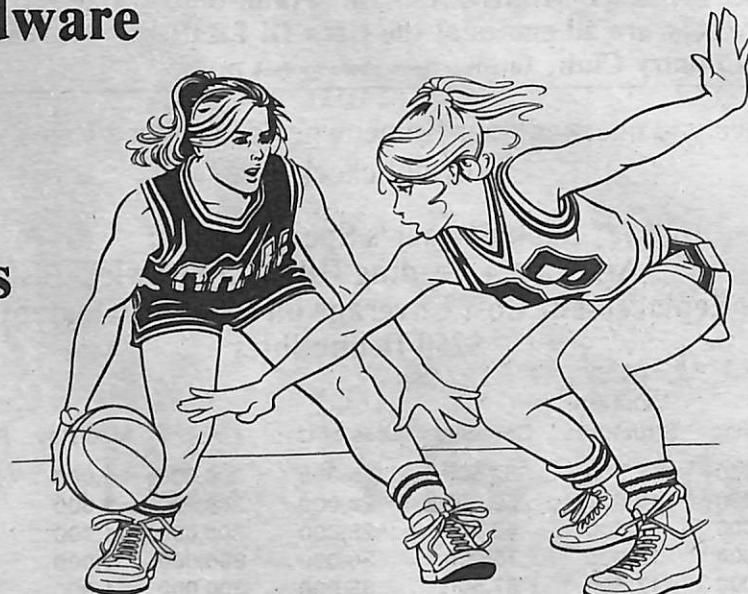
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## Marquis Opens Oct. With Modified Win At Riverside

Jerry Marquis ended another picture-perfect season at Riverside Park Speedway the same way he started 1992 ... with another victory at the quarter mile. It was the final Modified race of the 1992 season as a moderate crowd of 3,456 came out to witness the Saturday, October 3rd, show.

For a while, it looked like Marcel L'Etoile was going to be the big winner, or Dunk Rudolph (a first-time racer at Riverside this season). Chris Jones was also a factor, as well as Wade Cole, Richard Savery, and Eric LeClair.

Still, a late caution tightened it all up with five laps to go; this gave Rick Fuller a chance to close up the gap as the second-place car.

At the checker, Marquis was clearly the class of the field to take down his 12th Modified win of the 1992 Riverside season in the Pike Package-F.J. Hubeny Judkin's big red Machine. Second went to Fuller (Polar Beverage); third was Jim Houghton, who came from the back for his best career finish.

Fourth was Chris Young (Riverhead Auto), followed by Dunk Rudolph (Dunk's Texaco) in fifth place. Sixth through 10th were Richard Savery (Bill's Auto), Wade Cole (Charley's Radiator), Chris Jones (the first SK Bonus, Tim Zambelli, and Tim Mrowka).

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Renee Dupruls secured her long-awaited first victory in one of the most exciting wins of the season for the Pro 4 Modifieds. Mike Petrizzo led for a while until Tom Crevenho took the lead; meanwhile, Glenn Solimoto and Joe LeMay were both factors, but it wasn't until Renee Dupruls took advantage of the front runners to out-drive them to take the lead.

Once in command, Renee was pressured heavily right to the wire in the exciting finish. Following her to the checker was Tom Crevenho, Joe LeMay, Mike Petrizzo, and Doug Meservey.

Tom Fearn in the Eddy Carroll car dominated the Pro Stock feature to sit in victory lane at the checker. It was over Tom Carey, Kevin Czarnecki, Jerry Marquis, and Dave Berube. Sixth through 10th went to Barry Gray, Fran Forino, Dave Sazarulo, and Don Giguere.

Jay Stuart held off Barry Gray in the Late Models, as Sumner Chapman was a strong third. Fourth was Doug D'Alessandro, and fifth was John Johnson. Sixth through 10th were Paul Dipisa, Mike Bushior, Chris Wenzal, Ted Chalmers, and Jim Roule.

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Joe Czarnecki won the Strictly Stock feature over Mitch Drewnowski, Chuck Alessio, Bob McMullin, and Tom Curley. Sixth through 10th went to Scott Zilinski, Herb Carlon, Mike Kosowki, Jeff Conners, and Henry Dickenson.

Ron Smith won the Mini Stock feature over Al Anicki, Joe Krajowski, Glen Brehio, Jason Davis, and Emmons Welch.

## Casa Di Lisa Ristorante Golf Tourney



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## Riverside Welcomes Stafford Racers

Riverside Park Speedway is extending a special welcome and offer to all LEFT/RIGHT ENDURO cars that have competed at the Stafford Motor Speedway.

This invitation welcomes them to race on Saturday, October 10th, as a real race division, competing in a special 30-Lap Feature Race, paying a purse of 22 starting spots.

This event will be run on the oval for 30 laps and will feature heat races for cash amounts. All cars that show up will be in the feature event. There is no entry fee for the special race, and all cars must conform to the original rules for Left/Right cars.

This is for the full size left/right cars only. The four-cylinder cars are welcome to compete with Riverside's existing program. If the turnout of cars is a success, these cars will be featured as a division at all ENDURO/MARATHON MADNESS SUN-DAY events in 1993 at Riverside for a posted cash purse, based on a 22-car pay-off, with no entry.

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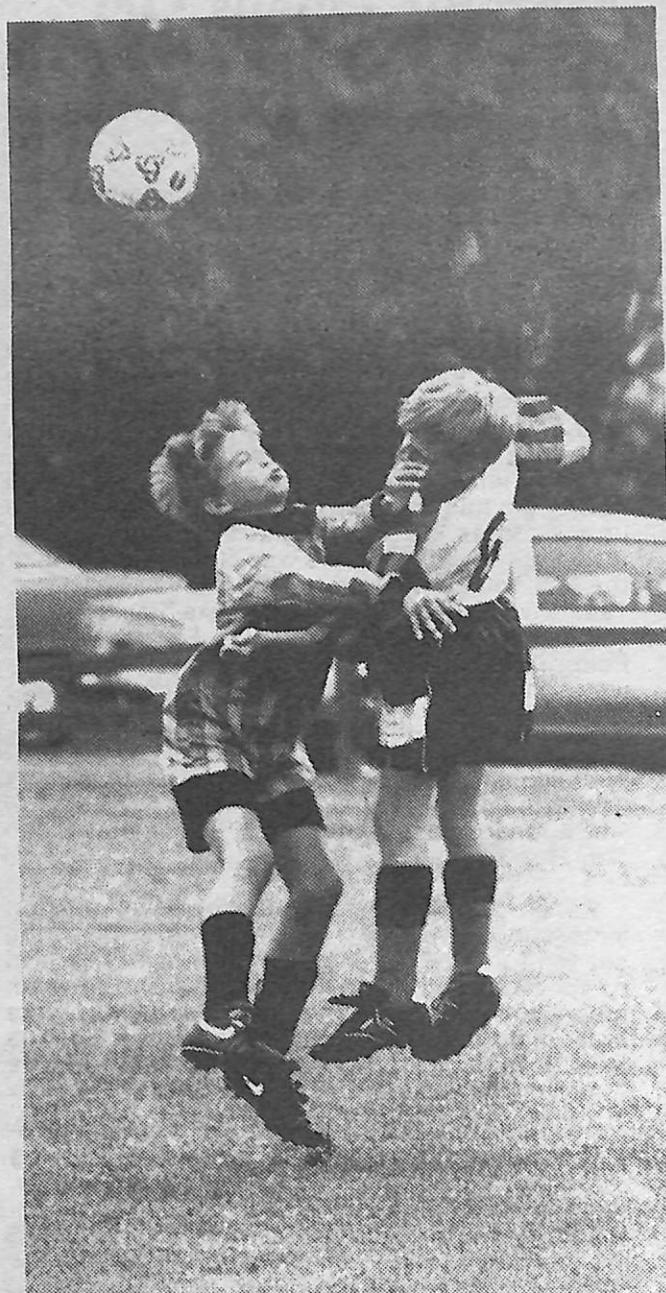
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**AGAWAM SOCCER ASSOCIATION PLAYERS**, from left - Mike O'Connor, Rob Creanza, Brad Theriaque, Nick Penna pictured in action during the Riverside Soccer Classic on Labor Day Weekend. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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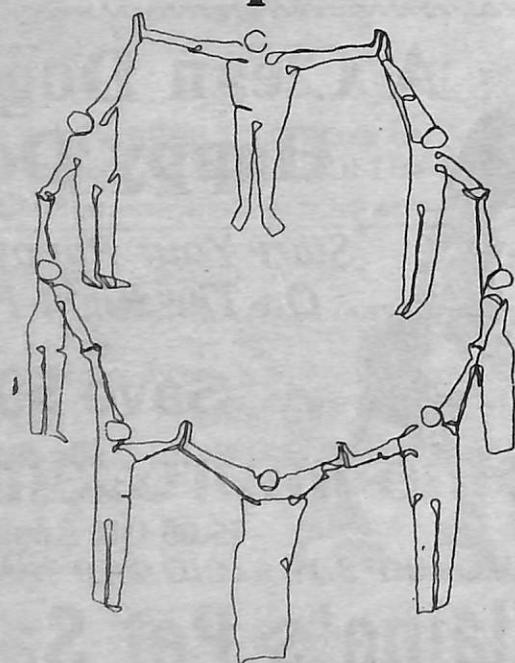
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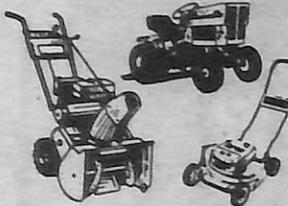
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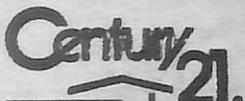
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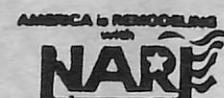
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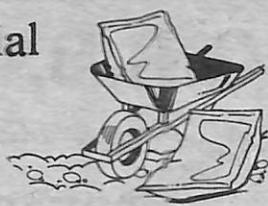
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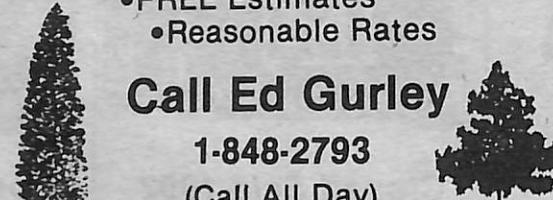


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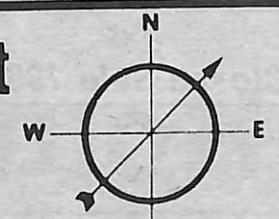
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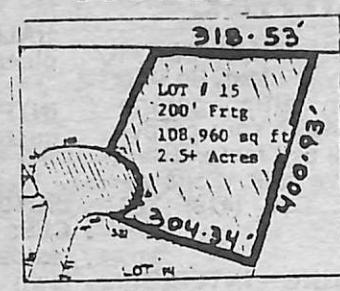
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PEACE & QUIET. Very Exclusive End Lot with 200' Frontage on the Cul-De-Sac Circle. See this Beautiful 2½ Acre Location and You'll Fall in Love. \$58,500. Barry Boccasile 786-3518

**SOUTHWICK**

Cute and cozy cottage style—4 rooms, 2 BR, approx. 300' from private beach. Beamed Cathedral ceiling in LR. Perfect for the boating, fishing, swimming, water-ski enthusiast! \$84,900. Barry Boccasile 786-3518

**WEST SPRINGFIELD**

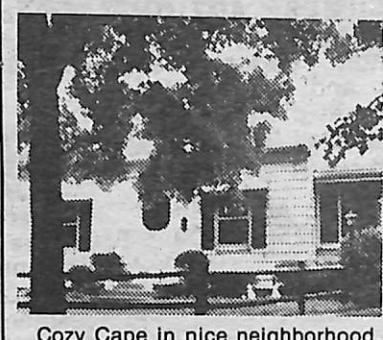
7 Room, 3 BR, 2 Bath Colonial in need of a little fixing up. Great potential with enclosed screened porch, FWA gas heat, and 3 more partially finished rooms on 3rd floor ... Let's go! \$66,500. Barry Boccasile 786-3518

**FOREST PARK**

NEWER DUPLEX—Less than 2 yrs. old. 3 BR per unit with walkout finished basements, large room sizes, gas ht, 1½ baths per unit, vinyl sided and more! Super rental location. \$129,000. Barry Boccasile 786-3518

**EAST SPRINGFIELD**

LESS THAN 3 YRS. OLD. This vinyl sided 5 RM, 3 BR ranch is ready to go. Nicely fenced yard with plenty of room to play. Priced to move. \$84,500. Barry Boccasile 786-3518

**GLENWOOD**

Cozy Cape in nice neighborhood. 6 RMS, 4 BR, and superbly maintained. Stone fireplace in LR, hardwoods, gas heat, and finished basement. Private, fenced backyard with deck and built-in gas BBQ. What a value! \$91,900. Barry Boccasile 789-9890

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